



**ART TILING
IN THE NEW
STYLE
BEAUTIFIES
THE HOME.**

Suggestions
and
Estimates.
Free, from

C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.

China Building.

Tel. 20269

Advertisement for The South China Morning Post, Ltd., located at 1 & 3, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph

FOUNDED 1921
NO. 11,090

四拜禮

號七月正英港香

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1932. 日十三月一十

10 PER ANNUM
SINGLE COPY 10 CENTS

Dollar on Demand:—1s. 5.3/16d.
T.T. on New York:—2s.
Lighting-up Time:—5.54 p.m.

Library, Supreme Court

Just Arrived!

DUNLOP

1932

TENNIS BALLS

(Pressure Packed)

Now obtainable from all Stores

DUNLOP RUBBER Co., (China Ltd.)

"South China Morning Post" Building.

3rd Floor

3, WYNDHAM STREET.

MAXTON GROUP DEMAND.

**AN IMMEDIATE
MEETING
OF PARLIAMENT.**

**"DISASTROUS
INDIA POLICY."**

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Jan. 6.

AN URGENT appeal to the House of Commons to summon Parliament immediately has been issued by a number of Left-Wing Labour M.P.s, including Mr. Maxton, the Clydeside stalwart.

It was laid down in the motion for adjournment that Parliament could be convened earlier than arranged if circumstances demanded.

The Left Wing M.P.s have urged immediate meeting "in order to consider the far-reaching problems facing the country."

The appeal declares, inter alia, that industry is going from bad to worse, while the arrest of Gandhi shows that the Government is embarking upon a disastrous policy in India.

Salt Laws Broken.

Karachi, Jan. 6.

Five Congress Volunteers, headed by the local Congress "Dictator" made a gesture of civil disobedience to-day by marching to the seashore and violating the salt laws. The police did not interfere.

News of the boycott called for has greatly alarmed dealers in foreign cloth. One of them was even seized with a paralytic stroke and mental derangement.

The sale of foreign piece-goods at Karachi has seriously declined.—Reuter.

Madras Action.

Madras, Jan. 6.

All Congress and allied organisations in Madras City have been dissolved.

Orders were to-day promulgated prohibiting meetings at Trichinopoly and a number of other towns.—Reuter.

Thirty More Arrests.

Ahmedabad, Jan. 7.

As in Bombay yesterday, the police here started a round-up of Congress leaders at 3.30 this morning.

The arrest of thirty leaders was effected within an hour.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S NEW CABINET.

**TARIFF ISSUE AS
FIRST DUTY.**

(Reuter's Special Service).

Canberra, Jan. 6.

The tariff problem will be made the first business of the new Federal Parliament when it assembles on February 17.

This decision was reached at a meeting of the new Cabinet to-day, though no definite indication has been given. It is presumed, however, that the tendency will be towards a reduction of the tariff wall.

The Prime Minister, Mr. J. Lyons, has appointed Mr. Stanley M. Bruce, former Premier, third in preference in the Cabinet.

MR. CHURCHILL IN WEST INDIES.

**MAKING A RAPID
RECOVERY.**

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Jan. 6.

A message from Nassau, the capital of the Bahamas, states that Mr. Winston Churchill, who is on a tour of the West Indies, is quickly recovering from his recent street accident in New York.

He has greatly improved in health, but has postponed his departure for New York from the 12th to the 25th instant.

To-day, Mr. Churchill was entertained to a banquet by the Bahamas Legislature.

MADRID COUP D'ETAT PLOT RUMOUR.

THE CIVIL GUARDS SUSPECT!

**SERIOUS CLASHES ALL
OVER COUNTRY.**

Madrid, Jan. 6.

VIGOROUS SUPPRESSIVE measures taken by the Civil Guards against Labour agitators and organisations have given rise to much disquiet throughout Spain. The situation appears to be pregnant with dangerous possibilities.

To-night, alarmist rumours were rife of an imminent coup d'etat with the object of the establishment of a new Dictatorship. The man behind the plot was stated to be General Sanjurjo, the leader of the Civil Guards.

The rumours are the culmination of a series of grave clashes between the Civil Guards and strikers and demonstrators in several parts of the country, notably at Arnedo and Saragossa.

SIX KILLED IN ARNEO CLASH.

At Arnedo to-day, six persons were killed in a serious disturbance, and two deaths at Saragossa brought the total to fifteen in the last five days.

The Prime Minister, Senor Azana, declared to-night that there is no truth in the rumours that General Sanjurjo is plotting a Dictatorship, and he strongly rebuts the allegations that the Civil Guards are acting aggressively.

In spite of the Premier's declaration, however, public feeling against the Guards is at present intense, particularly in the rural areas.—Reuter.



The violent measures taken by the Civil Guards in Spain to break up strikes and demonstrations have caused extreme bitterness, and reports suggest that the country is seething with discontent. Our picture shows a group of demonstrators lined up in the street while civil guards are standing over them with rifles. Even boys are in the arrested group.



Senor Azana, who stated last night that he does not share in the fears of a Dictatorship plot.

CITY PROPERTY DEAL.

**SASSOON BLDG.
SITE SOLD.**

FOR FIVE LAKHS.

An important property deal has been effected in the City, the three-storied building at the corner of Des Voeux Road and "Brokers' Alley" having changed ownership at a figure disclosed as half-a-million dollars.

Messrs. David Sassoon and Co. confirmed its sale to the National Commercial and Savings Bank of 144, Des Voeux Road Central, when approached by a Telegraph reporter this morning.

Officials of the latter institution stated that they intended to erect, at a cost of about \$500,000, a nine-storey modern steel and concrete office building on the site.

Street Width Difficulty.

With building development at this spot is bound up the question of widening Brokers' Alley. Government requires, it would appear, a resumption of 19 feet, and the architects, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, have been commissioned to approach the Government for a modification of this decision as the site as it now stands, measures only 60 feet across, with a length of 100 feet. Until the decision of the Government is definitely known, building plans are in abeyance.

Bank to Occupy.

The present property is to be handed over, empty, before March. It houses at present the offices of Messrs. David Sassoon on the first floor, and Messrs. Tadpole and Sons in a shop space fronting Brokers' Alley.

The National Commercial and Savings Bank will move into the new building when completed. It was founded in 1921, originally as a subsidiary of the Sincero Company, but is now run as a more or less independent concern with Mr. Choy Hing, Chairman of the Sincero Company, at the Head of its Directorate.

THE TYPHOON.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has strengthened and is now central over N.E. China. The typhoon appears to be nearly stationary about 200 miles N.N.E. of Yap.

MANCHURIA RIDDLE.

**NEXT MOVE OF
THE POWERS?**

**MYSTERY TALK IN
WASHINGTON.**

Washington, Jan. 6.

The receipt of official despatches by the State Department indicating that the Japanese forces in Manchuria are campaigning beyond Chinchow towards China Proper (as reported in the Telegraph yesterday) is causing considerable concern.

The British Ambassador (Sir Ronald Lindsay) and the French Ambassador (M. Paul Claudel) were closeted with Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, for some considerable time yesterday regarding the further co-operation of the three countries on the Manchurian situation.

There has been much speculation in Washington and New York as to the probable outcome of the discussions, and it was indicated in highly authoritative circles to-night that an important statement by Mr. Stimson on the United States' policy in the Far East is shortly to be expected in consequence.

Mr. Stimson has, however, declined to comment on the situation or his discussions with the British and French Ambassadors.

The list of five members of the Manchuria Commission of Inquiry will be published in Geneva on Friday.

The Commission will meet in Geneva before leaving Europe to draw up a programme of work and to establish satisfactory and rapid lines of communication with the Council of the League.

Lord Lytton has accepted the appointment of British representative on the Commission.

The question of the Chairmanship of the Commission will rest with the Council of the League.—Reuter and British Wireless.

SHANHAIKWAN TAKEN.

**CHINESE FORCES
RETIRE.**

Peking, Jan. 7.

The Japanese forces occupied Shanhaikwan yesterday afternoon, following the hurried exit of the Chinese regiments under Commander Ho Kwok-chu.

The Japanese have occupied all districts between Chinchow and Shanhaikwan, and then arrived in Shanhaikwan on armoured cars in the morning.

Their officers got into immediate communication with Commander Ho Kwok-chu and ordered the Chinese regiments to withdraw to districts within the Great Wall immediately, whereupon the Chinese volunteers and Police all retired with the Manchurian Government troops to Lwanchow.—Reuter.

DOLLAR DECLINES AN EIGHTH.

**FALL IN SILVER
RATES.**

After standing at 1s. 5.5/16d. on demand for over a fortnight, the Hongkong dollar dropped 1/8th this morning, reflecting a decline in silver prices both in London and New York.

The London drop was a farthing, both for spot and forward. China sold and there was poor support, the market opening dull. After the official fixing, the market was easy, there being offerings from America at 1/8th under the quoted rates.

In New York, silver declined 5/8ths, but the market was fairly steady.

Locally, there is a distinctly easier undertone, with very little business passing. Rates are about 1s. 5.3/8d. and 1s. 5.7/8d.

Shanghai is also easier, the rates being about 1s. 11 1/2d. and 1s. 11 3/4d.

THE WORLD CRISIS. RUMOURS OF FRENCH ATTACK ON POUND STERLING.

IDEA POOH-POOHED IN CITY CIRCLES: REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

London, Jan. 6.

Something of a sensation was caused in uninformed circles to-day by the publication of an allegation that the French banks are launching an attack upon the pound sterling by withdrawing their balances in London.

Sterling showed a slight decline on all foreign exchange markets to-day, but authoritative circles in the City deny that this fall has anything to do with action by the French banks, or that any attack by the French banks is likely.

Ever since Britain went off the gold standard, it is pointed out, the attitude of the French banking authorities towards sterling has been friendly and helpful and there is no indication of any likelihood of a change.

France's Interest.

On the contrary, it is stated, France has a very considerable interest in maintaining, and improving if possible, the value of the pound.

There have been rumours from time to time of a possible raid on London by the Bank of France, due to the fact that French holdings of British currency are extremely large, but the loss which would result by the conversion of its sterling holdings would amount to more than three thousand million francs.

Government Guarantee.

The difficulty was recently the subject of negotiations between the Bank of France and the French Government and an arrangement was concluded for the purpose of covering the Bank of France's losses through sterling depreciation.

A Treasury Bond has been handed to the bank to the amount of the loss, which will be exchanged for negotiable bonds of the Sinking Fund administration. It will be redeemed progressively with the Treasury bonds which the Bank received at the time of the stabilisation of the franc.

Bank's Share.

The Bank of France, taking its

part of the amount of the shortage, will contribute to the redemption by means of an immediate payment and by further annual payments in proportion to its gross profits.

It seems, therefore, that both the Bank of France and the French Government have an interest in keeping the pound sterling up. Any onslaught on London's resources would merely result in further depreciation of the pound and further heavy losses to France.

Severe Measures.

Speaking to representatives of the foreign press in London to-day, Sir John Simon said that the very straight action the Government had had to take lately to maintain the currency and to correct the balance of trade was an emergency action to meet an emergency situation.

They had not the smallest desire to inflict injury or inconvenience which could be avoided.

It would be a great mistake to suppose that these very firm and, in some respects, very severe measures were, in themselves part and parcel of a deliberate fiscal policy. The fiscal policy to be adopted was a matter for future consideration and decision.—British Wireless.

REPARATIONS.

**BRITISH CABINET
DISCUSSION.**

The Cabinet Committee set up to consider the question of reparations in view of the forthcoming conference at Lausanne, met to-day, the Chancellor of Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, and Viscount Snowden, attending.

Sir Frederick Leith Ross, of the Treasury, who is returning to Paris on Friday to resume the exchange of views on the subject with experts of the French Ministry of Finance, was present.

The Prime Minister is returning to London to-morrow morning from Lismore. A full meeting of the Cabinet will be held early next week.—British Wireless.



Our photo shows a drifter fighting her way into harbour during the first gale of the season off the English coast.

The Kowloon City robbery case was resumed at the Criminal Sessions this morning when the case for the defence of the two prisoners, Chung King-man and Li Fat was continued. It is expected that the proceedings will end this afternoon.

With regard to the New Territories Agricultural Show, on Saturday, we are asked to state that the exhibits will be on view to the public from 12.30 p.m., and that the formal opening ceremony by H.E. the Governor will take place at 8 p.m.

THE HONGKONG
PENINSULA HOTEL:
HONGKONG HOTEL: REPULSE BAY HOTEL:
PEAK HOTEL
and
SHANGHAI
ASTOR HOUSE: PALACE HOTEL:
HOTELS
LIMITED.
In association with the Grand Hotel
Des Wagons Lits, Peking.

PALACE HOTEL.

Telephone 57008 Telegraphic Address "Palace."
A First Class Residential & Tourist Hotel Under Entirely
European Management High Class Wines & Spirits Steel Coulon's
Beer On Draught, Four Full Sized Billiard Tables Billiards, Snooker,
or Skittles.
MRS. J. H. OXBERRY,
Proprietress.

Penang

The Scenic Gem of Malaya

A first class Hotel
Modern throughout and beautifully Situated

Kunnymede Hotel

Malaya's Premier Hotel
Food and Wines especially good

AFTER-DINNER DANCE

Every Wednesday & Saturday.—Orchestra Daily

CABLES "KUNNYMEDE"

RUNNYMEDE HOTEL, LTD. George Goldsack, Manager

EUROPE HOTEL

SINGAPORE.

"RENOWNED BY RECOMMENDATION"

DANCING: After Dinner every Tuesday, Thurs-
day and Saturday.
MUSIC: On the VERANDAH—
Monday to Friday—7.45 p.m. to 8.30
p.m.
Saturdays—12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.
and 8.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
Sunday Concerts—9.15 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Robert Drescher's Famous Viennese Orchestra
Plays During Tiffin and Dinner Every Day.

GRILL:

Telephone, 5341 (8 lines)
Cables "EUROPE" Singapore.

THE EUROPE HOTEL, Ltd.
Arthur E. Odell
Managing Director.

Plate Glass Insurance

For Particulars and Rates Apply—

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LTD.
Phone 28121. Hongkong Bank Building.

PEAK "STORE" SUMMONS.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT AND
HON. MR. PATERSON.

CASE DISMISSED.

A summons issued by the Sanitary Authority against the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, head of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, and Co., came before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. Paterson was summoned, under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, "for that, being the owner of 117, Plunkett Road, The Peak, he knowingly permitted premises situated within the grounds on the west side of the main building and under his control, to be used for the storage of food intended for sale."

The sole witness for the prosecution was Sanitary Inspector A. G. Martin. Chief Inspector Reynolds was present, as it was thought that he might be called as a witness by the defence.

At the outset of the proceedings, Sanitary Inspector A. G. Martin, stating the case for the prosecution, said that the activities complained of had been of a recurrent nature, in that they ceased upon measures being taken by the staff of the Sanitary Department, and resumed after an interval, say of two months, when it had appeared to the officers that the trouble had blown over and the coast was clear. The place was being used as a market, with eggs, vegetables and other provisions being spread on the ground and a number of house-servants standing around to take delivery. Generally, it was difficult to come upon them unawares, as a keen look-out would be kept and the vendors warned of the approach of an Inspector.

Mr. Paterson, continued, Inspector Martin, was informed of the use being made of his premises by the Sanitary Department, and correspondence exchanged in June last could be produced to show that Mr. Paterson had been aware all along. The incident upon which the present proceedings were based occurred, said Inspector Martin, on December 9. Round about ten o'clock that morning he visited the place, an outhouse to the west side of the main residence, and there found market activities in full swing, with provisions spread on the ground and people standing around to take delivery. The place was situated on a small hill which made approach difficult without being observed, and in consequence he had been put to considerable trouble.

Mr. Wadeson put in a preliminary objection against the inclusion of events which might have occurred in July in proceedings which concerned the very much later date of December 9. He also questioned the propriety of including statements of a hearsay nature. Inspector Martin went into the witness-box, where, deposing to the visit he made on December 9, he stated that it appeared to him that the provisions spread on the ground were in the course of being divided up into lots, the conviction being strengthened by the spectacle of four servants standing around.

He asked two men whom he knew to be foks of an Aberdeen fish-stall who were dealing out the provisions, whether they were selling the goods to Mr. Paterson's house alone or to several, but could not get them to say anything. Witness however, managed, while he was there, to get the names of some of the residents who were having dealings with these people.

Alleged Hearsay.

Mr. Wadeson again objected to "hearsay evidence." Witness, continuing, said that the four servants who were standing about, waiting for the provisions to be divided up, were carrying pass-books from which he learned of the names of the residents.

Producing correspondence exchanged between Hon. Mr. Paterson and the Sanitary Department on the subject last July, witness proposed putting it in.

Mr. Wadeson's objection, renewed at this stage, was upheld by the Bench.

Requested to detail the provisions he saw, witness said that as far as he could recollect, there were between 4 and 5 lbs of meat; between 2 and 3 dozen eggs; 4 or 5 lbs of potatoes; one-half dozen soles, and a quantity of different vegetables.

Mr. Wadeson showed where the prosecution had been at error in including eggs in the evidence. He showed where the Ordinance had exempted this item entirely from its provisions.

Witness admitted that he did not go up to Mr. Paterson's house to ascertain if Mr. Paterson was actually there.

Mr. Wadeson: So you don't know whether he was there or not?—I won't say definitely he was actually there at the time. You made no inquiries?—No. The duties witness said he discharged were of a discretionary nature, but certain days in the week were fixed for places to be visited. He reported the results of his visit on December 9 to his Senior Inspector, who in turn reported to the Medical Officer of Health.

Head of Department.

Further questioned, witness said that the matter eventually came before the Head of the Sanitary Department, and he agreed that it was Mr. G. R. Sayer who finally instructed that a summons be applied for against Mr. Paterson.

Mr. Wadeson: So Mr. Sayer actually ordered you to make an application for a summons?—Yes.

So really the matter emanates entirely from Mr. Sayer?—His Worship interposed, referring Mr. Wadeson to the routine followed by the Department in these matters.

Mr. Wadeson: I am going to submit later there was more in this than that.

Witness, further questioned, said that the outhouse where the alleged transactions took place was used as a garage. Mr. Paterson's car, however, was not there, and it was at the place vacated by it, where the food was spread and where the servants were standing.

Mr. Wadeson said that, as a matter of fact, Mr. Paterson was at the date living at Sheungshui, in the New Territories. Mr. Wadeson submitted that he had no case to answer. In order to succeed in their case, he said, the prosecution must prove, affirmatively, two fundamentals. Firstly, that Mr. Paterson knew of it (the summons) had mentioned "knowingly," and Mr. Wadeson submitted that the prosecution had not proved or advanced any evidence to show that Mr. Paterson knew of this on December 9, whatever he might have learned in a nebulous way on the much earlier date of July. Secondly, that knowing it was going on, Mr. Paterson permitted it to go on. That point the prosecution must prove, but the evidence so far as that point was directly concerned, had been absolutely negative.

Mr. Paterson Absent.

They had evidence that the goods were spread out on the floor of the garage which was otherwise empty, when presumably the car had been taken away. If Mr. Paterson were in Court, he would say that at the time he was living in Sheungshui. And so far as permission was concerned, Mr. Paterson's letter to the Sanitary Department in July showed that he did not only not permit it, but had stopped it at the time, the man who was then carrying on the business being his own Number One Boy who was now dead. It had resumed on December 9. It was without the knowledge of Mr. Paterson who was away in Sheungshui. "How on earth," inquired Mr. Wadeson, "a Sanitary Authority, Mr. Sayer apparently, had brought himself to issue a summons that Mr. Paterson knowingly permitted this thing to go on in his house, I don't know. He must apparently have been grossly misinformed, or simply looked at it and signed it."

Mr. Schofield: I agree with you. When I read the summons I

MINISTERS RETURN TO LABOURS.

FORTHCOMING MEETING OF CABINET.

London, Jan. 6.
The Prime Minister is leaving for London to-day, after three weeks at Lonsdale, Scotland. He has greatly benefited from the change, although he maintained constant touch with affairs during his holiday.

Other Ministers are also returning to their departmental duties, and the Cabinet committees are resuming work prior to a full meeting of the Cabinet next week.

Mr. Lloyd George, who had completed his restoration to health on a voyage to Ceylon, reached England on Friday, and is expected to resume attendance in the House of Commons on its resumption.—British Wireless.

Public Confidence.

London, Jan. 6.
When the Stock Exchange opened this morning, the principal feature was a further substantial improvement in the leading high class investment securities, following yesterday's interest payments on Consols of two and half per cent. et cetera, amounting to 26,500,000.

Funding loan in particular rose a half, to 85½. War Loan five advanced three-eighths to 96½, while several others improved an eighth.—British Wireless.

Thought the place was used as a sort of permanent store.

Retrenchment Commission.

Mr. Wadeson: Really, my instructions as a matter of fact, are that Mr. Paterson, when he was sitting on the Retrenchment Commission, made somewhat strong criticisms of the way in which the Sanitary Department was being carried on, and had been carrying on, and the lack of cohesion between that Department and the Police.

Mr. Wadeson related that so far as what happened in July was concerned, Mr. Paterson communicated with the Police, and Chief Inspector Reynolds went up there to try to apprehend not only the offender, but also a receiver of stolen goods. He attempted to get the Sanitary authorities to co-operate with the Police in apprehending the man and brought him before the Court, but met with a refusal, the Sanitary authorities saying that they had nothing to do with it. Subsequent to that, Inspector Reynolds had the man under observation for some time, but there was no evidence upon which to proceed against him.

Mr. Schofield stated that he understood that the standing policy of the Sanitary Department was that a Sanitary Inspector should not be associated with prosecutions.

Concluding his case, Mr. Wadeson observed that there was a man in the person of Mr. Paterson who had tried to do his best, in the matter, and in whom the thought would rankle that he should be brought up there for keeping a store for rice and vegetables. "It is all very well," remarked Mr. Wadeson, "for Mr. Sayer to issue the summons but he had not come up here to prosecute. In fact I doubt if he could do it."

His Worship dismissed the summons.

Another Summons.

Connected with the case was a second summons against the Manager of the Aberdeen fish-stall for storing goods in the premises with the view to sale. Defendant pleaded that his employees used the place as a convenient point from where to distribute provisions to Peak customers.

In dismissing this summons also, his Worship directed that the defendant was to warn his foks that if they had to deliver goods on the Peak they should faithfully go round to the different houses and not to make a distributing centre of any one place.

THE HAT OF SUPREME DISTINCTION

Note its graceful lines and fit, compelling the wearer to look distinguished; to stand out from the crowd. Examine the quality.... The Borsalino hat is made only of the finest materials, following a rigid code of manufacture, in delicate shades to suit the most exacting purchaser. Beware of imitations....



IT'S THE HALL-MARK OF ITS GENUINENESS

YOUR FAMILY PLATE



Keep it really clean

You cannot be too particular over cleaning good plate—gold, silver or electro. Clean it with ADAMS'S PLATE POWDER. It leaves no chemical deposit, cannot scratch and gives an astonishing lustre. No chemicals—no mercury.

Sole Agents:

W. R. LOXLEY & CO., HONG KONG.

ADAMS'S PLATE POWDER

A century's reputation.

Liang You

Ladies' and Gents' Hairdressers

ALSO Mr. St. OVEN

PERMANENT WAVING

Introductory Price \$20.00

King's Theatre Bldg. (Ground Floor) Phone 20315.

REDUCING BELT

THE LATEST SCIENTIFIC ELECTRICAL DEVICE
10 MINUTES' TREATMENT \$1.00

Massages and Reduces at the same time

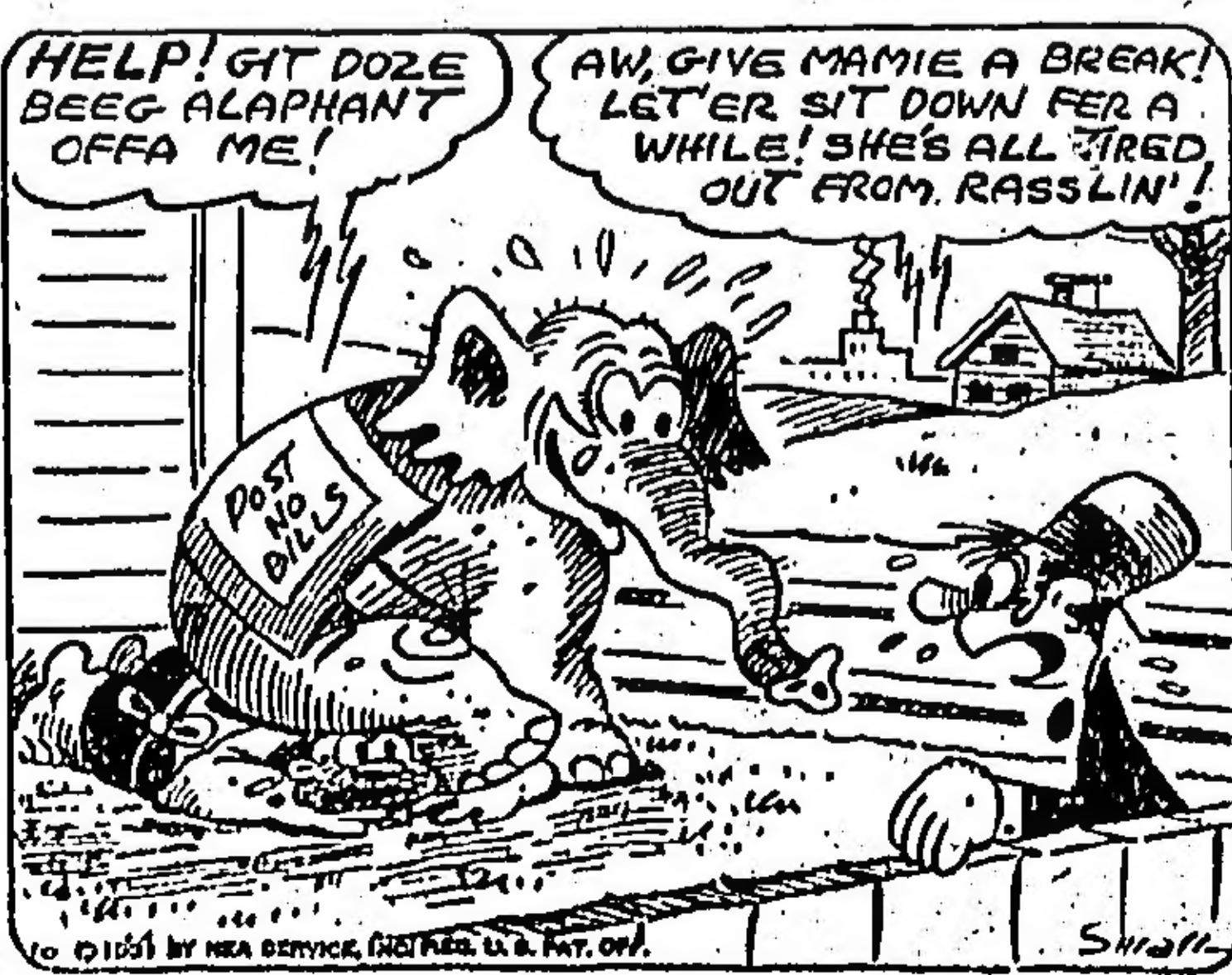
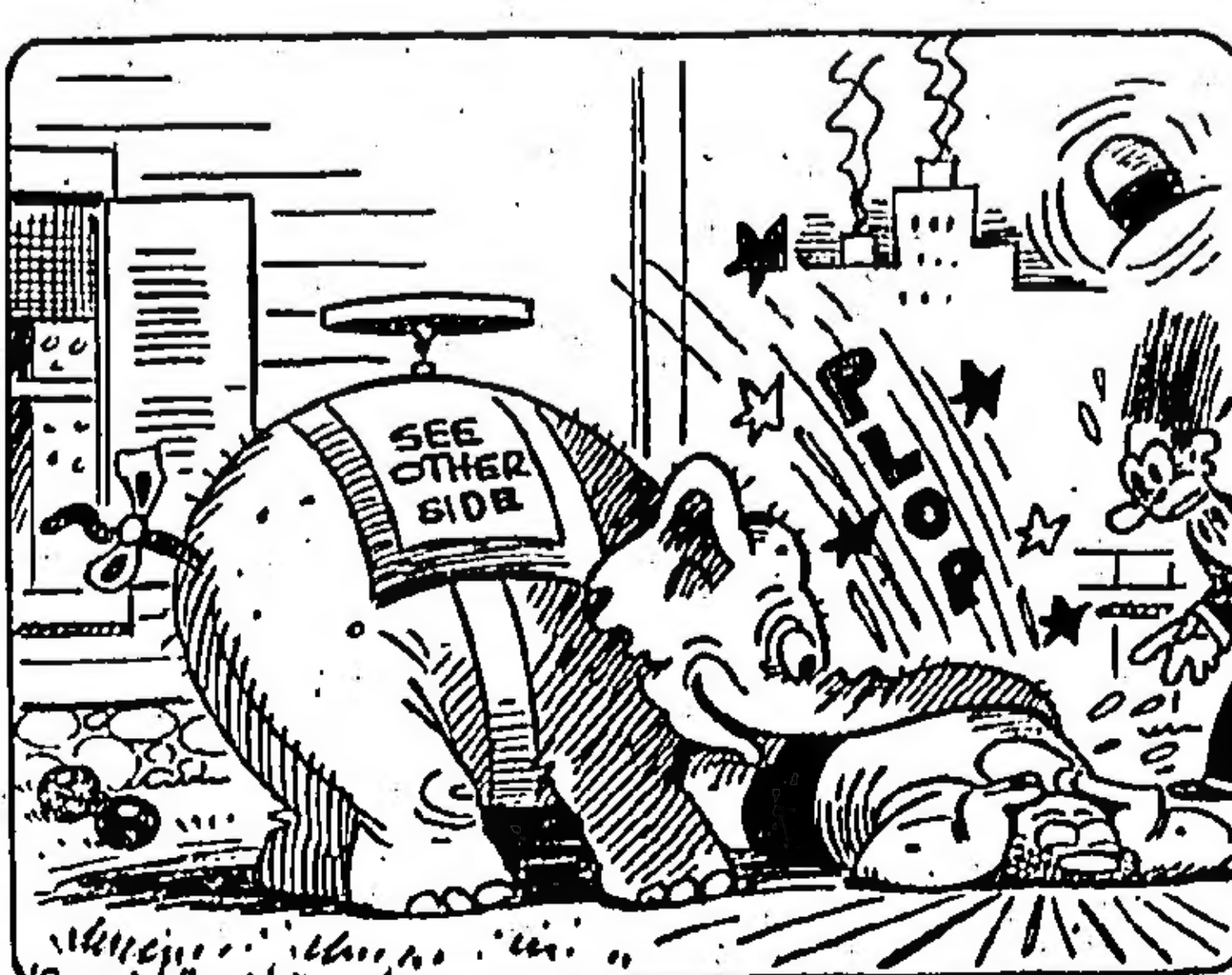
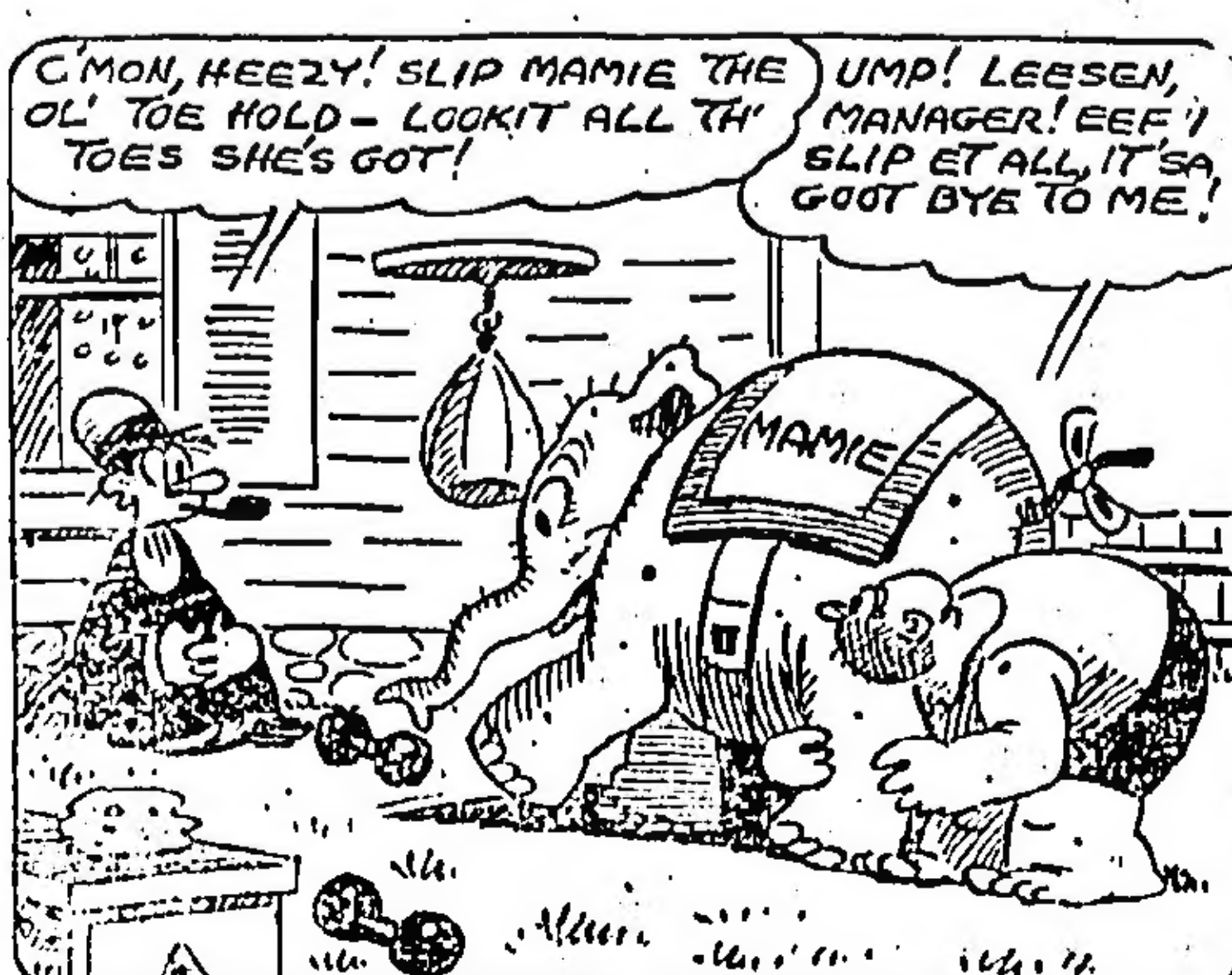
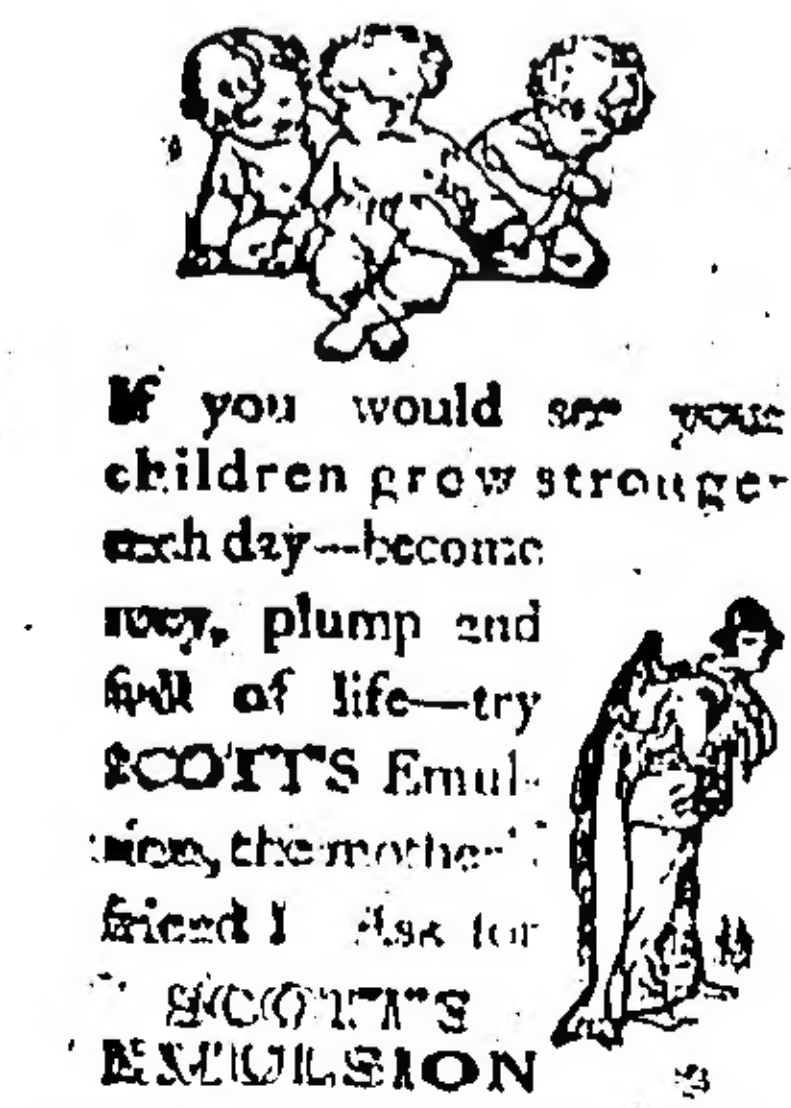
TESTER BEAUTY PARLOUR

Ground Floor, Kayamally Building. Tel. 22103.

SALESMAN SAM

Mamie Has a Friend

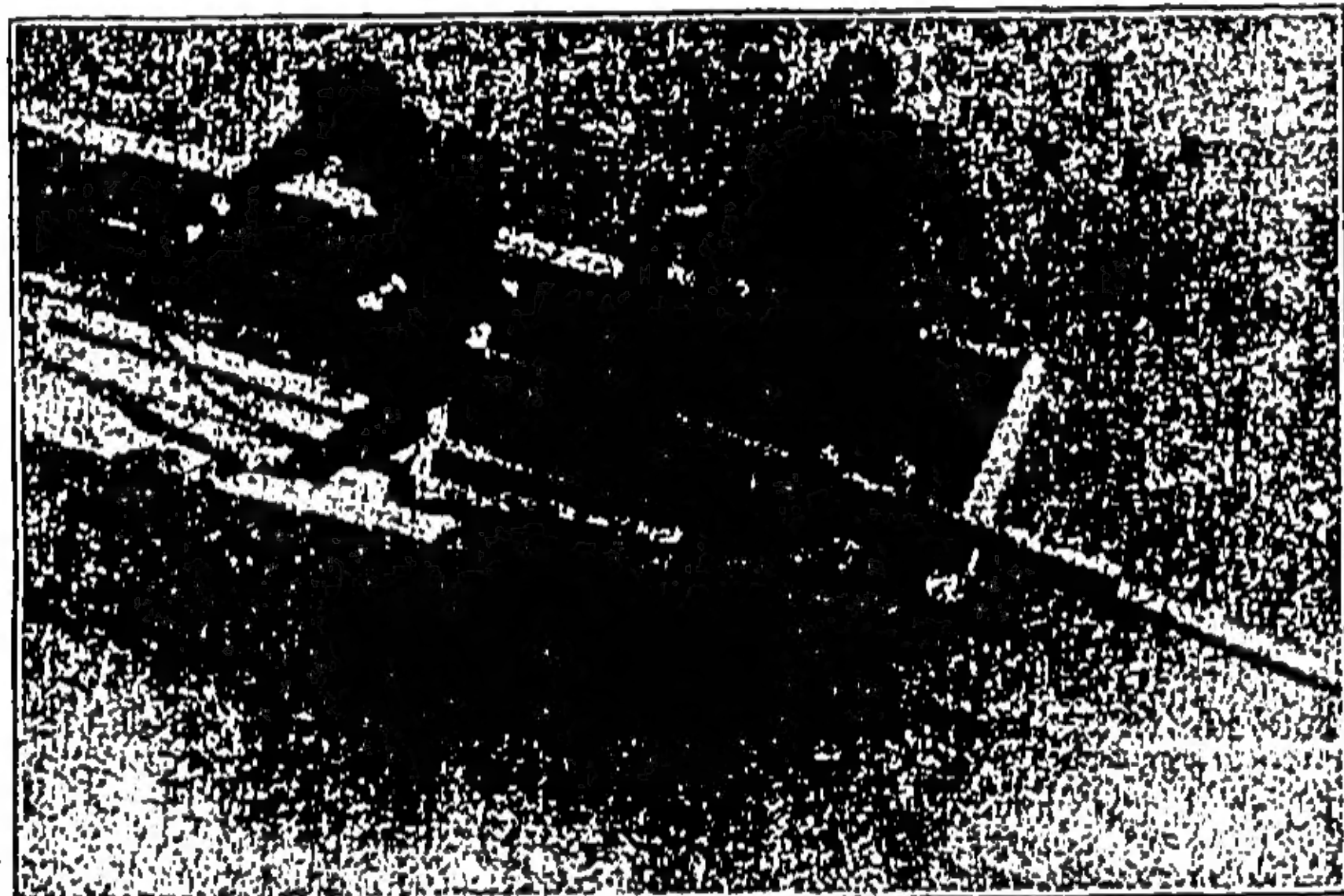
By Small



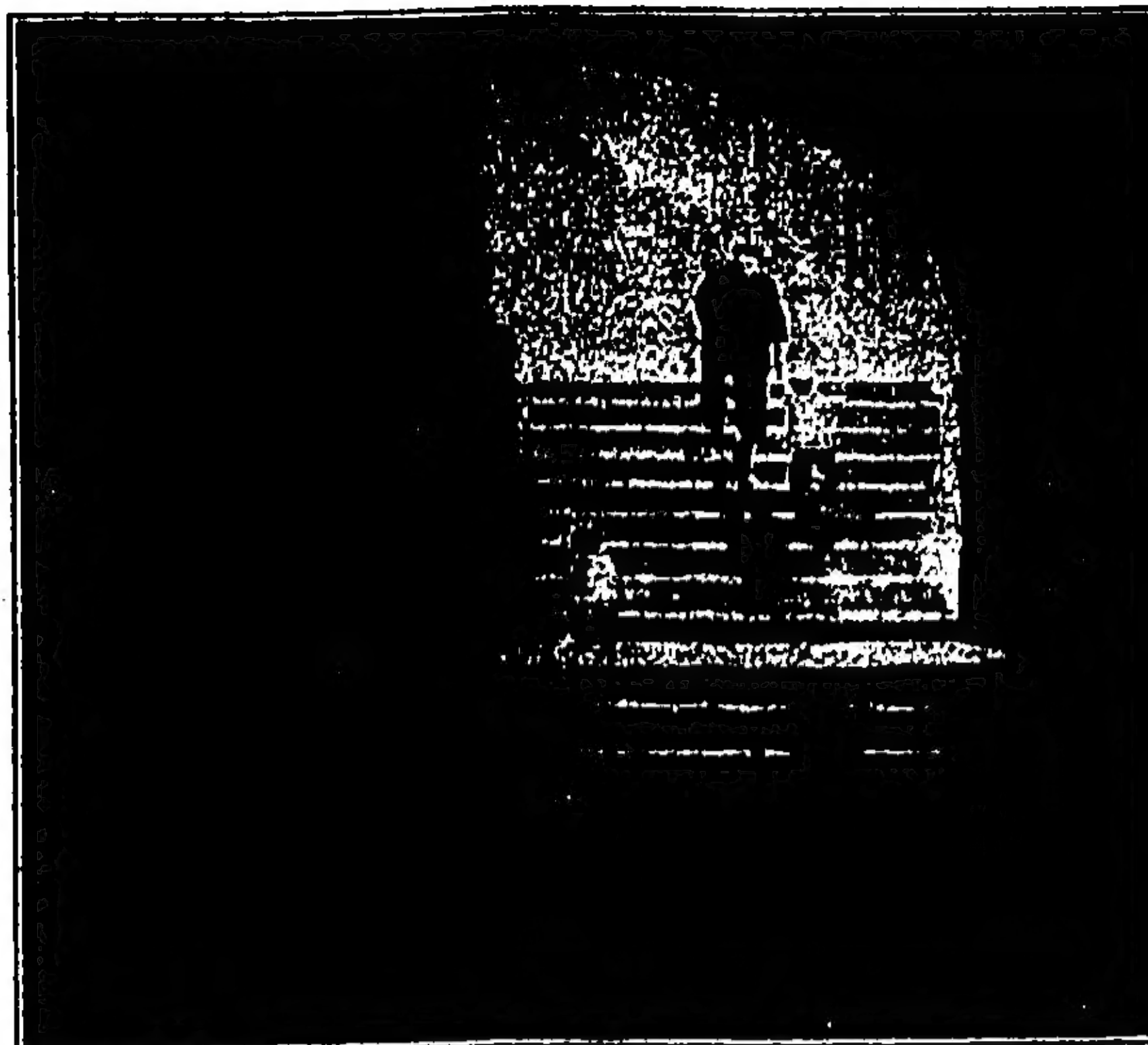
UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB EXHIBITION: LONDON WEDDING.



Mr. Hwa Soon An's picture "Washington" which was one of the four hundred photographs judged at the Varsity Exhibition on Saturday.



A well composed photograph by Mr. Alfred Lock which is entitled "Piloting," and which was entered in the competitions at the University Exhibition last week.



In Old Hongkong," an excellent picture exhibited by Khoo Kwong wah, at the annual display of the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club.



This picture by a well known European photograph artist, Mr. Frank R. Fraprie, F. R. P. S., is entitled "The Lip of the Dam."

Gems of Peril

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

The thief who robs and kills old Mrs. Jupiter, during the engagement party she gave for her secretary, Mary Harkness, fails to get the famous Jupiter necklace. Police drop the case, believing Mary's brother, Eddie, guilty. Eddie is run down by a car as he goes to meet Mary.

Bowen, police reporter for the Star, discovers Eddie owed money to a race-track crook called The Fly and turns up Eddie's coat, which the latter recognizes as one worn by a "cat-catcher" he ejected the night of the murder.

Mary's fiancé, Dirk Ruyter, forbids her to investigate further. They plan to marry at once. Mary meets Bowen in a sneaky way where The Fly is hiding. Dirk, on his way to lock up the Jupiter necklace, comes by to take Mary home. He grows The Fly is not there. Dirk and Mary are followed by the same make of car that killed Eddie. Bowen stops the thieves by turning the car in front of them. Dirk still suspects the existence of The Fly and Mary goes with Bowen. Bruce Jupiter returns from Europe with a woman friend.

CHAPTER XXIII

Della thrust her head in the door and demanded: "Aren't you ever going to get up, Miss Mary? Think what day it is! And the packing! Who's to do that, if I don't, and how can I do it at all if I don't begin?"

Mary gave up trying, to feign sleep any longer, and forced herself to face the old servant's curious eyes.

"I'm not going away just yet, Della," she told her. "Don't ask me any questions. I can't bear to talk about it. And put those things out of sight, won't you?" She pointed to yesterday's purchase piled about the room. Then she turned her telltale eyes away.

"An' a fine mornin', too, as anyone could wish for a wedding," she grumbled.

"Della! What do you mean?"

"Della set sturdy arms akimbo, and gave forth the details with relish.

"Did they row! Faith, and ye never heard the like! Says his pa, 'You're a skunk and a scalpen, lallygaggin' round Europe with them low foreigners, too busy spendin' money to come home, and yer mother lyin' dead! Too busy to send a cablegram or a wreath o' flowers for her coffin! How have ye the face to walk in here with the black conscience on ye, dressed like a dude and smellin' of rotten perfume?"

Della paused for lack of breath. Discouraging the obvious Celticisms, Mary was still able to form a good idea of what Mr. Jupiter had said, and meant, in greeting his only son.

"What did Mr. Bruce say?" she prompted. Pumping servants was not a thing one did every day, but Mary excused herself on the ground that she had to know what Bruce was going to do, before she could decide what to do herself.

"Oh, sure, he'd a bunch of excuses at his tongue's tip. He'd sent a friend out to send off a cablegram, he said, and how was he to know it never went? And it was only a fortnight ago that he got the news, indeed; he was that high up in them Alps mountains, paintin' pictures of glaciers, and the like of that. An' when he got the message, he come down at once, and took the first boat. An' if his pa wants to know where come that perfume from, the man in the barbershop equir'd it on him by mistake and—"

have found me as fine-lookin' a young man as him!"

Mary had been prepared to stay in her room, breakfasting alone, so that the Jupiters, father and son, might have the first hours of their reunion without the presence of outsiders. But if Mr. Bruce had gone away so soon, there was no reason why she shouldn't be about her own affairs. To her surprise, she saw that it was nearly noon.

"Mr. Bruce went away, you say?"

"Only into town, to look after his trunks. He had some trouble with the customs over something he brought over, and he had to see a man about it, a man that had a friend in Washington that could make it all right."

"Something he brought over?" Mary asked sharply. For some reason the image of the beautiful alien with the throaty voice came to mind just then. Obviously, she was an imported article; perhaps she was included among Mr. Bruce's contraband.

"Oh, you know what folks brings that comes in on ships," Della spoke as one woman of the world to another. "Or it might be paintin'." Mr. Bruce said he'd stay in town till he'd had his exhibit, and then he was goin' back to the Riviera, and he didn't care if he never saw America again. He's stayin' at the Ritz," she added irrelevantly, but with obvious relish.

Jupiter House was too "country" to suit some of its servants, though its magnificence made that hostility look pale by comparison.

Mary retreated into her own thoughts. Irony, Bruce's returning just at this time! She ought to rejoice; she was free now to go or stay, as she pleased. She did not take the quarrel between Bruce and his father seriously; it would have been surprising if something of the kind had not taken place, just at first.

On the surface, father and son were as unlike as it was possible for two men of the same blood to be, but surely the difference was more artificial than real. When they got a little used to each other, they would get along better. Bruce



Photograph taken after the wedding of Mr. Bartle Bull, son of the Canadian business magnate, and Miss Rosemary Baur. Miss Baur is one of the wealthiest American heiresses.

would surely see his father's need of companionship. And the old manufacturer would learn that a man was not emasculate merely because he was an aesthete in matters of dress.

She would have to take Bruce aside and bequeath him her knowledge of his father's ways. She wondered if he played cribbage, or if Mr. Jupiter could be converted to chemin-de-fer.

Suddenly a wave of heart-sickness swept over her that almost rocked her as she stood. She dug the heels of her hands into her eyes and bit her lip. Dear Dirk! Darling Dirk! Why didn't he call up, or come to see her? She couldn't keep thinking of other people's affairs forever.

Perhaps if she called him—she was halfway to the telephone when it rang. Glad relief swept through her; her voice was almost singing as she answered.

"Just reporting in. How's everything?" It was Bowen.

"Oh, everything's fine," she lied, finding her voice with difficulty. "What's new?"

"The Fly's skipped town. I had a hunch he might."

"Oh—there was utter despair in her wall. "Then what are we to do?"

THE
"SNAP"
REGD.
"Ideal for sports or general wear."

Priced from
\$14.60 net

A new range in "Snap" hats. This adaptable brim model is made of fine quality fur felt and is obtainable in Brown, Buff and Grey shades.

HENRY HEAPHAM

Obtainable from
MACKINTOSH'S LTD
MEN'S WEAR SPECIALISTS

CAN YOU AFFORD TO WASTE?

A GENERAL ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR will save you money during the fall and winter months. Prevents waste of left-overs... saves trips to market... makes it possible for you to do all your food buying on bargain days. A small down payment puts a General Electric in your kitchen tomorrow. Choose your model today.

GENERAL ELECTRIC
ALL-STEEL REFRIGERATOR

Domestic, Apartment House and Commercial Refrigerators—Electric Water Coolers

On View at
The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.,
The General Electric Co., (China) Ltd.,
ANDERSEN, MEYER & COMPANY, LTD.
Sole Agents.

WHITEAWAYS.

HERE'S
THE BLADE
YOU WANT.
SEVEN O'CLOCK

A British made Blade that fits all Gillette Type Razors, old and new style.

Packet of 5 \$1.25
Packet of 10 \$2.50

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & Co., Ltd.

TO-DAY'S WANTS.

25 Words \$1.50
(\$2.00 if Not Prepaid.)
The following replies have been received:—

WANTED KNOWN

WONDERFUL BARGAINS in HATS and SMART American SPORTS SUITS at our Annual January Sale. Hats from \$5.00 at The Dolly Varden Hat Shop.

MISCELLANEOUS

TOY & DOLL HOSPITAL Broken Toys or Dolls of any description Skillfully Repaired. Don't Throw Them Away! 24, Des Voeux Road, opp. P. & O. Bldg.

APARTMENTS

AIRLIE HOTEL, 23-25, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Under European Management. Excellent Cuisine. Modern Apartments. Terms Mod. rate. Three minutes from ferry. Tel. 57357.

GRANVILLE BANTOCK'S

Songs From the Chinese.

"From the Tomb of An Unknown Woman"
"A Feast of Lanterns"
"Adrift"
Yung Yang
"Golden Nephew"

Also

"Vale of Arden"
"Silent Noon"
"Garden of Bamboos"
"Peach Flower"
"R-d Lotus"
"In the Palace"
"Three Idyls" (Voice and Flute)
"Three Idyls" (Voice, Flute & Cello)

TSANG FOOK PIANO CO.
8, Des Voeux Road, Central.
(Entrance Ice House Street)
Telephone C. 24648.

METALS.

of all kinds especially for ship-building and engineering work. Complete stock. Best Terms. Immediate delivery.

SINGON & CO

ESTABLISHED A. D. 1930.
Telephone: 20516.
HING LUNG ST.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
THERAPION No. 1
THERAPION No. 2
THERAPION No. 3
Sole Importers: Messrs. S. S. K. & Co., Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong.
Sole Agents for the Straits Settlements and F.M.S.: Messrs. S. S. K. & Co., Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong.
Sole Agents for the Federated Malay States: Messrs. S. S. K. & Co., Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

The French Convent School will re-open on Friday, 8th at 9 a.m.

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the First Extra Race Meeting of 1932 to be held in Macao on Sunday, the 17th January, 1932, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Sports Club, Hongkong Jockey Club Stables, or at the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central.

ENTRIES close at 11 a.m. on Saturday, the 9th January, 1932.

Attend the New Territories Agricultural Show

January 9th and 10th, 1932.

at Shek Wu Hui (near the Sheung Shui Railway Station.)

Watch for the handbook on the bookstall!

Special Railway Facilities at reduced fares. Band in attendance. English and Chinese restaurants, drinks with meals obtainable. Theatrical performances.

THE WORLD'S BEST PICTORIAL PHOTOGRAPHS.

ON VIEW

at the

UNIVERSITY

PHOTOGRAPHIC

EXHIBITION

University Union,

Daily until January 9.

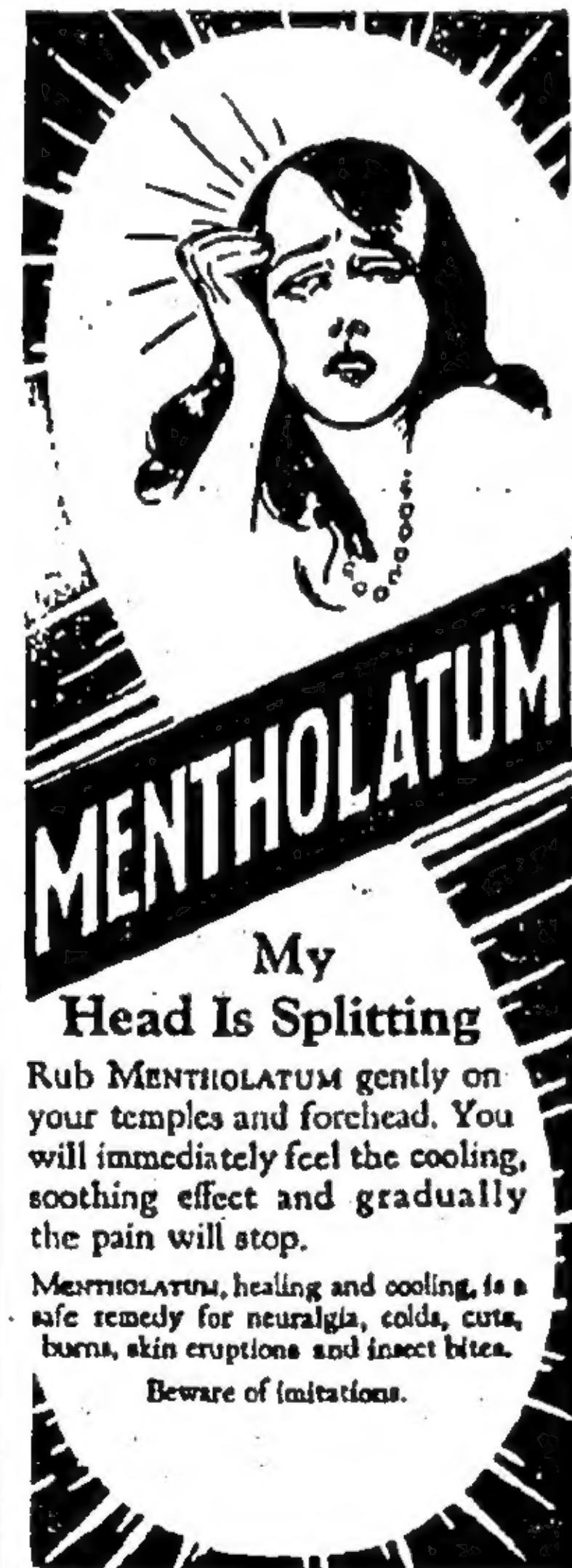
From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

(from Jan. 7 to 9 open till 9 p.m.)

ADMISSION FREE

You positively cannot

afford to miss it.



MENTHOLATUM

My Head Is Splitting

Rub MENTHOLATUM gently on your temples and forehead. You will immediately feel the cooling, soothing effect and gradually the pain will stop.

Mentholum, healing and cooling, is a safe remedy for neuralgia, colds, cuts, burns, skin eruptions and insect bites. Beware of imitations.

G. R.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 503.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Shaukiwan Quarry Lot No. 1," will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 18th day of January, 1932, for the occupation for a period commencing from the date of notification of acceptance of tender and ending on 31st December, 1934, of the piece or parcel of ground as shown coloured red on a plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 22nd December, 1931, and subject to the conditions which may be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works. Upset annual fee \$4,000.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$100 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown in the event of the tenderer, whose tender is accepted, refusing to carry out the terms and conditions of his offer.

On the acceptance of a tender the deposits of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them. Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works,
Hongkong, 31st December, 1931.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Kok, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Upset Price.
1	772	Kowloon	Between Lot No. 772 and Lot No. 1109, and between the Pau Chung Street.	Approx. 45,000	\$10
2	1109	Opposite Kowloon	Between Lot No. 772 and Lot No. 1109, and between the Pau Chung Street.	Approx. 45,000	\$22,500

MRS. MOTONO.

Massage.
Hand and Electric
31b, Wyndham Street.

MASSAGE HALL

MRS. S. UZUNOYE
57, Queen's Road C., 2nd floor,
Expert Masseuse.

MASSEUR R. SHIMIDZU.
MASSEUR S. HONDA.
MASSEUR S. KISAKI.

Recommended for many years for Government Civil Hospital, Park Hospital, etc., and by all the local doctors.
24, Wyndham Street. Tel. 24841.

ELSTREE.

NOW A HOUSEHOLD WORLD.

Ask anyone in the world where British pictures are made and invariably the same reply will be given—Elstree. That is the true importance of what Mr. John Maxwell and British International Pictures have done for the British film industry.

British International Pictures have been the mother, the tutor, and the world publicity agent for the new film industry which has arisen in England since the War. When British pictures were a byword and a laughing-stock it was Mr. Maxwell's courage and breadth of vision which stimulated real production, and forced the world to acknowledge the quality of his output.

Elstree has assumed under his direction a significance only less important than Hollywood in the world's film industry. And this has been achieved in less than ten years. The British International Studios have been the Mecca for many of the greatest American and Continental directors. Mr. Maxwell early saw that if the British industry was to be given not only a place in the sun, but even a chance of getting on its feet, it must learn from the world's acknowledged experts. Fearlessly he put his conviction into practice, and, as though a miracle, in the shortest of time, a new spirit was abroad. Everyone of importance in the world's industry was compelled to take notice of Mr. Maxwell's achievement, and soon the name of Elstree was a household word throughout film circles everywhere.

This achievement of Mr. Maxwell's is, in many ways, the most remarkable result which has been brought about in the face of almost overwhelming odds in the whole of the world's film history. When the talk-film came, the British industry was once again faced with an almost insuperable position. Opposed to the unlimited capital of America, with comparatively slender resources with which to fight, once again it was Mr. Maxwell's International Pictures which set at once to tackle the problem, and to-day its products are in measurable distance of the quality of the best of the United States products. And the leader who was primarily responsible for this change was a Scots solicitor, with no special knowledge of the intricacies of production, but inherently endowed with an unbeatable tenacity, a dauntless courage, and a limitless vision and belief.

Although British International have the second largest circuit of theatres in England (thus ensuring a certain outlet for their products, and key houses the better to sell them), about 130 in number, it is as a producing unit that British International have achieved fame and will be known throughout the history of British films.

More than 100 films have been made at Elstree in the last three years. During the period of silent films, from Arnold Bennett's "Piccadilly" to "Tommy Atkins" or "High Seas," the last to be made, there was a seal of quality over all the Elstree products. With the advent of the talk-film that same quality was maintained from the very start. The first Elstree talk-film, "Blackmail," startled the world by its excellence and the modernity of its technique. From that time many of their films have become historical. "Atlantic," "June and the Paycock," "Murder," "Young Woodley," "The W. Plan," to Galworthy's "Skin Game," have all been inevitably marked with the Elstree hall-mark of individuality and quality. Amongst their latest offerings, "Men Like These," the first attempt to make an epic of the Royal Navy, will achieve similar fame and its place in the history of film production in Great Britain.

MR. MELLON ON WAR DEBTS.

'HARD CASE' OF BRITAIN. PLAIN WORDS TO AMERICA.

Washington, Dec. 13. "If foreign nations fail to pay on Tuesday they are technically in default," Senator Borah declared yesterday, a sentiment gleefully echoed by fellow Congressional leaders.

The present position is that individual Governments if they inquire of the State Department will be told that payment is not expected in view of the impending moratorium ratification, though the day of payment being fixed by law cannot legally be altered except by Congress.

A majority of both Chambers of Congress have pledged themselves to ratify the moratorium scheme, but not an inch further will they go, and the ratifications will only be given grudgingly, with possible pliers to the effect that passage is no indication that further relief may be granted. Dislike of Mr. Hoover, distrust of the big bankers, and prejudice against all foreigners all combine in giving crusading ardour to the attacks on Administration policy.

The President, backed by the Treasury and Wall Street, will battle hard for the establishment of a war debt commission to consider revision of the existing totals. In an attempt to mobilize public opinion behind the Administration view, a direct appeal to the common sense of the nation was made over the heads of Congress by Mr. Mellon, secretary of the Treasury.

Britain's Burden.

Washington, Dec. 12. Mr. Mellon, in the course of an official statement, said: "No recommendation made by Mr. Hoover carries any implication of debt cancellation. It is, however, the duty of those in authority to deal with reality, and there is no escaping the fact that some of our debtors cannot meet in full the payments due to us until there has been a substantial measure of economic recovery."

"To stand on the letter of our bond and to refuse to investigate or consider the facts is to fail in our responsibility to the American people whom we represent and the debtors whose capacity to pay we ourselves undertook to determine."

"Take the case of Great Britain, our best customer, which even in the depression year of 1930 took 678,000,000 dollars (approximately \$136,000,000 at par) worth of American agricultural and industrial products. The economic and financial changes of the past year have immensely increased the burden of her payments to us. The series of events through which Great Britain was forced off the gold standard is too recent to require enumeration."

"To-day sterling is selling at 3,315 dollars, which is a 32 per cent. discount compared with last year. All debts to Great Britain from foreign Governments, except reparations payments, which are not likely to be collected in full next year, are payable in sterling, but her debt to us is payable in gold dollars. The combined effect of these unfavourable factors results in an enormously increased burden for the people of Great Britain."

Forty-Seven Per Cent.

"Payments due in the present fiscal year will serve to exemplify the magnitude of the additional burden. With the £2 at par, the British Treasury needs \$32,800,000 in order to pay us 150,000,000 dollars. With sterling at the rate at which it was sold on December 10, it would take \$48,100,000, or an increase of \$15,300,000, or 47 per cent.; in other words, the burden on the British taxpayers would be increased by almost half."

"When the British settlement was made, it was estimated at its present value at 44 per cent. interest, and was 80 per cent. of the total amount due prior to the fundings."

"If the amount to be raised in pounds sterling to meet obligations to the United States in dollars is increased by 47 per cent., it becomes apparent that from the standpoint of the British taxpayer he is asked to meet not the obligation as established by your Debt Commission, but an amount considerably in excess of such obligation. Nothing could more forcibly illustrate the changed situation, which places on the Executive, as well as the legislative branches of the Government, the duty of re-examining the obligations of our debtors and their ability to meet them during a period of world-wide economic depression."—Reuter.

KING'S THEATRE

COMING SOON!

"TILLY OF BLOOMSBURY"

A British Picture.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

PARCEL MAIL.

The Public are hereby warned that in view of the passing of the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties Act, no guarantee can be given that any parcel will not be subject to Customs duty on arrival in the United Kingdom. The system of prepayment of Customs' duties in this office is cancelled until further notice except as regards parcels of silk or of under the value of £5-0-0 or its equivalent in dollars at the rate of the day. It will however be necessary in these cases to make a deposit against duty equal in amount to the declared value of the Parcel. Definite information will be published in the Mail Notices directly it is received.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London, 10th December.	Hakusan Maru	January 8.
Australia and Manila	Taipei	January 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	January 8.
Manila	Pres. Taft	January 8.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	January 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 11th December and Europe via Siberia (London, 10th December))	Pres. Pierce	January 9.
London parcels only, London 3rd December	Aeneas	January 11.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 10th December)	Empress of Asia	January 11.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 18th December)	Pres. Jackson	January 11.
Calcutta and Straits	Talamba	January 12.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 20th December)	Pres. Jefferson	January 15.
Shanghai and Japan	Karmala	January 16.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow	Hydrangas	Thurs. Jan. 7, 8 p.m.
Bangkok	Hermes	Thurs. Jan. 7, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tibadak	Thurs. Jan. 7, 5 p.m.
Manila	Nevada	Fri. Jan. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Santhia	Fri. Jan. 8, 12.30 p.m.
	Letters	1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Foochow	Hatching	Fri. Jan. 8, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Fri. Jan. 8, 2.30 p.m.
Foochow	Hulchow	Fri. Jan. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hakusan Maru	Fri. Jan. 8, 3.30 p.m.
	Fushimi Maru	*Sat. Jan. 9.
	Reg.	Jan. 9, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 9, 9 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Jan. 9, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 9, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 7th February.)	
	Hervar	Sat. Jan. 9, 1.30 p.m.
Bangkok		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	President Taft	Sat. Jan. 9.
	Parcels	Jan. 9, 3 p.m.
	Reg.	Jan. 9, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 9, 5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C. 28th January)	
Manila	Pres. Pierce	Sat. Jan. 9, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaigan	Sun. Jan. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hokan Maru	Sun. Jan. 10, 9 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Mon. Jan. 11, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues. Jan. 12, 2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	Tues. Jan. 12, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Kwaisang	Tues. Jan. 12, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Chichibu Maru	Wed. Jan. 13.
	Reg.	Jan. 13, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 13, 8.20 a.m.
	(Due San Francisco, 3rd Feb.)	
Sandakan	Hinsang	Wed. Jan. 13, 10.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Taipei	Fri. Jan. 15.
	Parcels	Jan. 14, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Jan. 15, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 15, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island, 26th Jan.)	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri. Jan. 15, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Karmala	*Sat. Jan. 16.
	Parcels	Jan. 15, 4.30 p.m.
	Reg.	Jan. 16, 9 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 16, 10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Jan. 15, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Jan. 16, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 16, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 18th February)	
Japan	Tyndares	Sat. Jan. 16, 10 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Sat. Jan. 16, 4.30 p.m.

*Superscribed to correspondence only.

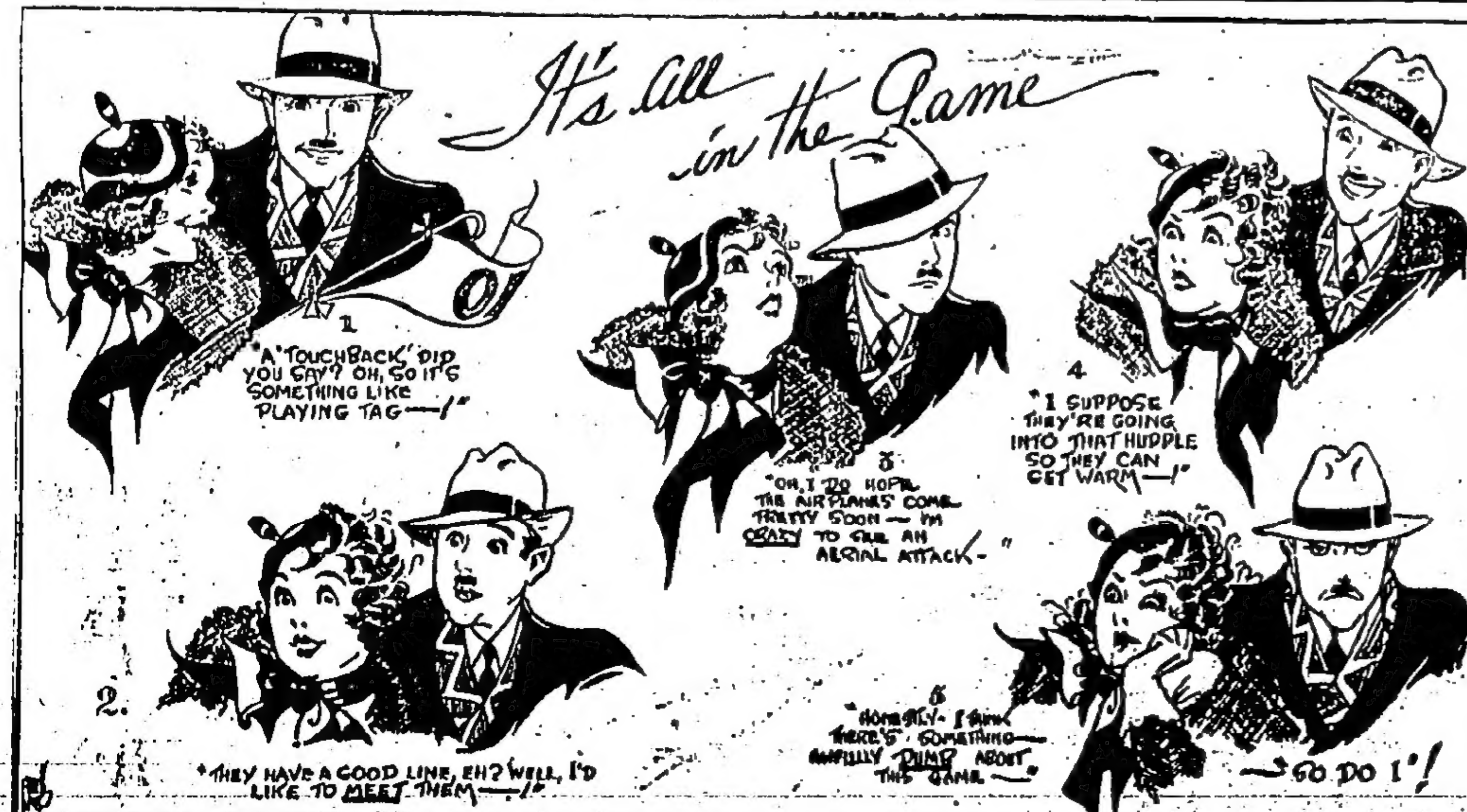
THE PERFECT ROAD.

ATTEMPT TO RESTORE THE LOSS "VISIBILITY."

The Ministry of Transport, motoring associations, makers of roads, and those responsible for their maintenance, are combining in search of the perfect road surface.

The perfect road must be primarily non-skid, impervious to wet and frost, easily visible under all conditions and of great durability. The search for such a paragon is as hopeless as it would appear, as the road surface is the work of the philosopher's stone. One of the penalties that we have paid for the disappearance of the old dusty highway is the loss of visibility. The old road could be seen clearly, whether it was wet or dry. To-day many of the road surfaces are almost invisible when they are wet. The major experimental work is being conducted by the Technical

Advisory Committee under the auspices of the Ministry of Transport, on which representatives of road-using associations and road-making authorities are serving. A stretch of the Colnbrook by-pass road has been placed at their disposal, and there the results of the experts' laboratory researches are put to the test of actual daily strain. At the moment the Ministry are unable to give any indication of the success or otherwise of these experiments. The champions of this or that surfacing compound would obviously be disconcerted if any inkling of the possible "winner" of this strange race for pre-eminence were given before the race is over. Other aspects of the road safety problem are interesting the Ministry and other highway authorities. All over the country roads are being made "safer" by official interference with the works of nature, and in some cases of man. Observation in many places has however, shown that the destruction of landmarks has tended to increase rather than diminish the danger of accidents.



It's All in the Game

"A TOUCHBACK DID YOU SAY? OH, SO IT'S SOMETHING LIKE PLAYING TAG!"

"I SUPPOSE THEY'RE GOING INTO THAT HUDDLE SO THEY CAN GET WARM!"

"OH, I DO HOPE THE KICKER'S COME TRUITY SOON—IN CASE TO GIVE AN AERIAL ATTACK!"

"THEY HAVE A GOOD LINE, EN? WELL, I'D LIKE TO MEET THEM!"

"SO DO I!"

KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

REV. E. L. ALLEN ARRIVES IN COLONY.

After a stormy trip from Singapore, Rev. E. L. Allen, recently appointed to the Kowloon Union Church, arrived on the steamer Menelaus yesterday, accompanied by his wife and child. He was met by a large gathering of the Union Church congregation and Rev. E. G. Powell of the Hong-kong Union Church, and went immediately to the manse, Jordan Road.

Rev. Allen is to be tendered a welcome social at the Church Hall to-morrow night, and will preach his first sermon in the new church on Sunday morning.

Rev. Allen however is no stranger to Hongkong, having passed through the Colony on several occasions, when associated with the English Presbyterian Mission in China. He was stationed in Kwangtung, a few miles from Swatow. On one occasion he took a service in the old Union Church in Jordan Road.

While in China, Rev. Allen met his wife, who was also engaged in missionary work. He left Swatow about five years ago and has since been stationed at Liverpool and Cardiff. He is well acquainted with Rev. J. Horace Johnston, former minister of the Kowloon Church.

U. S. BOMB OUTRAGES.

HOPES OF TRACING GUILTY PERSONS DISPELLED.

New York, Jan. 6. Hopes that the perpetrators of the bomb outrages at the end of December had been traced, were dispelled when three men arrested on suspicion of complicity were released to-day after five hours' questioning.—*Reuters' American Service.*

It was reported on December 30 that a message from Euston, Pennsylvania, stated that one Post Office official was killed and two seriously injured, one fatally, in consequence of the explosion of two postal packages among a batch of seven addressed to the Italian Consul-General in New York, the Italian Consulate at Pittsburgh, and several Italian and other foreign papers in New York.

The packages were left at the Post Office by two men who departed hurriedly. One exploded, killing one of the clerks and blowing off both the arms of another clerk. The second parcel exploded while being examined in the open air by a dynamite expert, who was seriously injured.

On January 1 it was reported that another murder attempt had been foiled, aimed at Count Grandenigo, the Italian Consul-General at Cleveland. A parcel had been despatched to Cleveland from New York and when opened was found to contain an infernal machine. The intercepted postal package was declared by an expert to contain enough explosive to wreck half a block.

The attempts are attributed to an anti-Fascist organization.

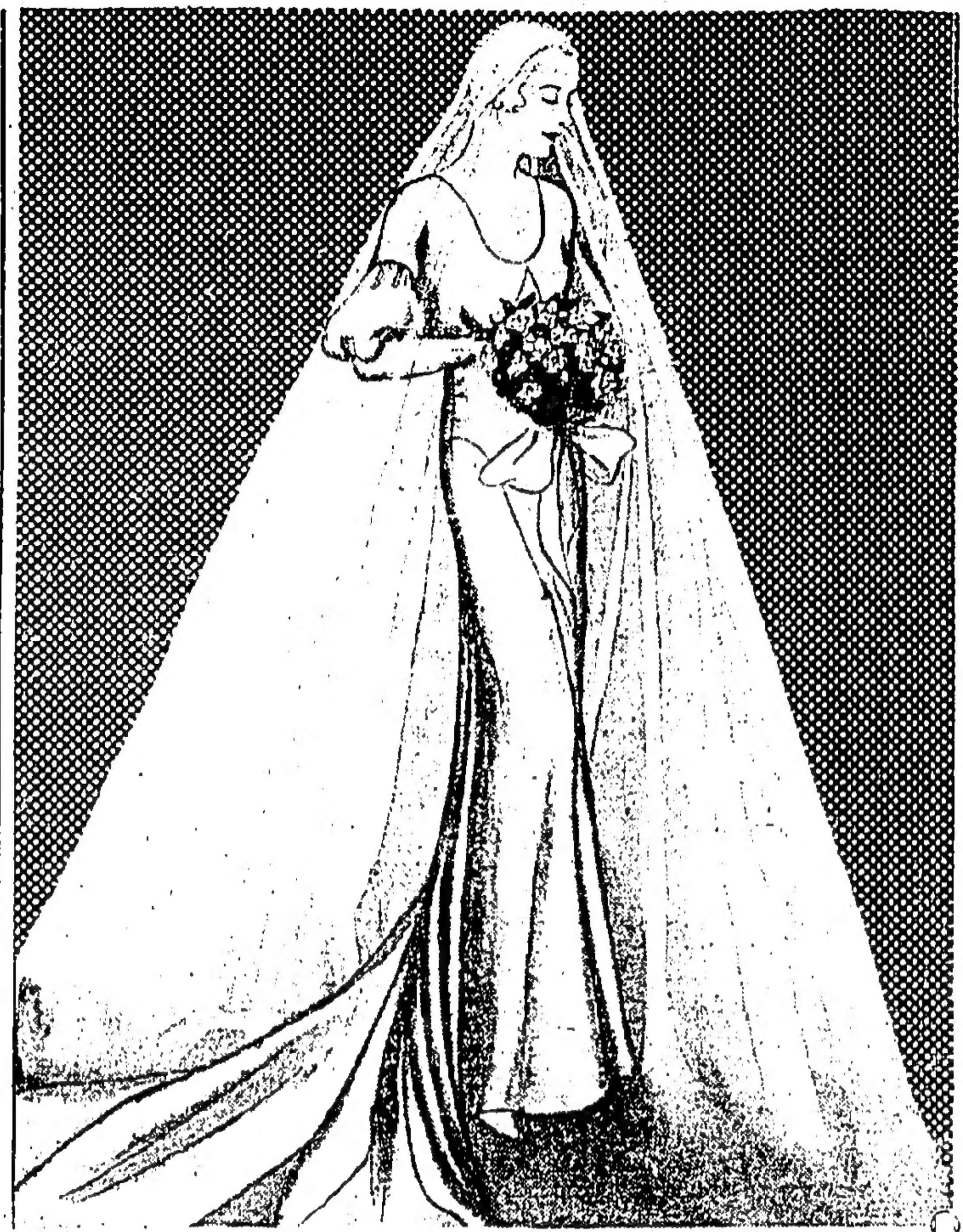


When a girl makes up her mind to get a job, she first makes up her face.

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

A WINTER BRIDAL GOWN OF YOUTHFUL SIMPLICITY.



(By Joan Savoy.)

Winter weddings are growing quite as smart as those of June.

The off-white wedding gowns are still high in favour with many young women. There is something essentially flattering in a white that is not too chalky, too harsh.

New wedding gowns can have any inspiration they desire for their styling. Most of them, however, manage to achieve a form-fitting, lovely line, with their inspirational touches showing themselves in the bodice, the sleeves and the veil.

Sleeves Are Lengthy.

The long-sleeved wedding gown with more or less low neck is among the newest. It is admirable for a dinner gown afterwards, if you want to look at things from a practical point of view.

The last word in newness and loveliness is an ivory velvet wedding dress that has modified medieval sleeves, with cuffs below, all attached to tight sleeves cut in one with the bodice.

This gown has a young simplicity about it. It has dignity, yet there is youth in every line of it. The neck is a low U, the skirt is form fitting and has a dovetail train that sweeps out to regal length.

This gown shows the prevailing use of a diagonal cut of materials, in the way the side seams curve over the hip and fit snugly until just at the knees. The bodice is cut with a point that reaches almost to the U neckline.

This skirt is the new too-tip length, which is preferred over the dragging-on-the-floor length used last springtime. With the gown, and quite carrying out the spirit of it, is a huge nose-gay of gardenias, which make an admirable bridal bouquet for wintertime.

DAINTY SHOES.

Stepping Smartly.

Shoes of character are seen with the simplest suits this season, and there is much variety in the new styles. Brown is still very popular, perhaps because it looks well with greens, blues, and browns, which are promised as the most fashionable of the new coats.

There is a very dainty court shoe with moderately pointed toe in brown calf, of a tint called sable, oval grain lizard having been used for the toe-cap and the little bow at the left side.

In fact, one's first impression of the new footwear is that few eccentricities are permitted—no dangling ends in the way of material bows or loose leather tags; shades of one colour have ousted violent contrasts; heels are rarely spikily high, just moderately so and slightly shaped.

These Persist.

It really seems as though we are to have court shoes with us always. They make fat feet look slimmer, and that is sufficient explanation of their popularity. There is an air of slender shapeliness about a court shoe in python skin, beautifully marked and with a finish as soft as velvet. This is in a lovely shade of fawn.

Another court shoe, quite different, is of black suede and

smooth calf, and though the toe is not so pointed as on the python skin the back fits snugly over the wearer's heel. But, for utter simplicity, there is a beautifully shaped court shoe in black calf, with a line of punching at the edge. The heel here is leather and of a moderate, Cuban height.

In its latest guise sealskin is rich in colour, and I have seen well-shod feet in a brown court shoe, as well as a dark blue strap shoe. Crocodile in a small graining is up-to-the-minute, and black and white lizard is ideal with a black ensemble; for the same reason patent leather cleverly inset with grey lizard is fashionable. So is black suede and matt calf, the cuff coming across the toes and again at the back. This just avoids being a court shoe, having the fastening low across the instep.

But the most fascinating tie shoe I have seen in the new collection is of oval grain lizard, and this, too, has very slender straps to lace low over the instep.

Almost a Brogue.

Shoes with a brogue effect appeal because they are not too broad, nor too low, and very comfortable. There is one in black calf with a high Cuban heel, and a bold arrangement of perforations. Java lizard and dark brown calf combine in the making of a single-strap shoe, the shapely toe-cap being heavily punched, and a baby Louis heel and light, welted sole ensures that it is reliable for hard wear.

And then there are the silk dancing shoes. These are the most exciting of all the new styles. Perhaps they match the evening gown, perhaps not. Among those which do not is a lovely pair in blue spotted silk, with the narrowest of straps and a small motif in silver leather at the side. Jewelled buttons are interesting, and so are the jewelled buckles which are usually small and sometimes coloured. Studded heels are high and glittering and go on shoes well sloped at the sides.

The days of sandal shapes with low heels or no heels, is past and with to-night's lengthy skirt, narrow, pointed toes and very high heels seem to suit all feet.—*Olga Watson in Exchange.*

NEW SCARVES.

The woman who wishes to look smart travelling seriously considers the matter of scarves this season. The scarf is often a gay touch that gives charm and individuality to the necessarily simple travelling outfit.

Printed and patterned scarves are chic, and so are plain scarves in bright colours. They may be silk or wool, or both. They may be knitted or made out of woven material.

FASHION NOTES.

That Bronze Colour.

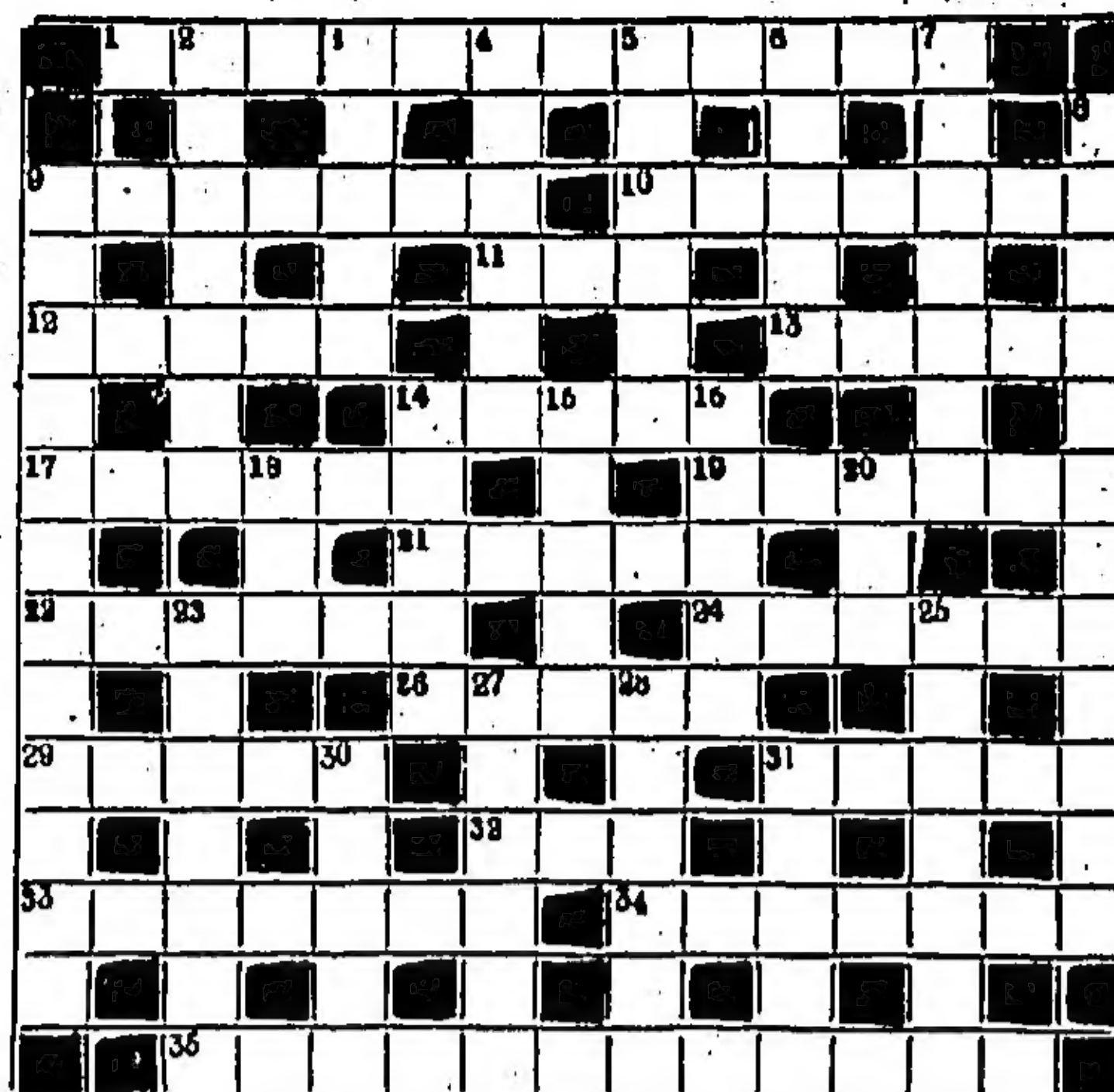
There is a sort of bronze astrakhan at the furrier's which is very becoming. But so is brown caracul, and brown Persian lamb. All these flat furs are suited to models which fit the figure, and a simple half-length style with huge collar and deep cuffs is as useful in the day as in the evening.

A coat I admired most in a recent collection of lovely fashions to come was worn over a brown and orange satin frock. The coat was in orange velvet and had much brown fur, of the soft, loose sort, as immense cuffs and again to edge the opauettes which disappeared into the coat lapels in front. Here was a perfect blending of colours.—*H. M. in Exchange.*

VELVET EVENING COATS.

Most of the new velvet costumes for evening are now being fashioned with high, cut-away waists, after the style of a "monkey jacket." Medici collars of quilted velvet to match are seen on many of the coats; one attractive model has wide bell sleeves, decorated halfway up by small flat, velvet flowers, with similar blossoms appearing on one of the lapels.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 The writer of a book is possessed of power. This, you will, admit, is sanctionable—
- 9 and this is, undoubtedly, eccentric, for no ordinary boy would swallow a rat—even little by little.
- 10 Although the animal of the first part seldom or never gets the second, it simply wallows in it, and—
- 11 thus the episode ends.
- 12 Too sure.
- 13 Insist upon this, and get it absolutely correct.
- 14 Here one may find shelter in one's uncomely moments.
- 17 Compass this—out of another shelter.
- 19 A fruit with a stutter, it would seem.
- 21 "As if an—dropped down from the clouds"—King Henry IV., Part I.
- 22 Equal-sided triangle.
- 24 You have reason to be afraid of this dangerous fellow.
- 26 Scum that never rises to the surface.
- 29 A portion of an opera.
- 31 Slow and undignified movement that is, to a great extent, unfinished.
- 32 Look up any fine night to see this when a major follows.
- 33 Strangely enough, these may be played on outings.
- 34 A grant made in the public service.
- 35 "Did he meet C. as" promised, at the house next door? (hyphen) (anag.).

Down

- 2 Dutch city in which one may easily detect the Churt note.
- 3 It would be difficult to keep cool when thus on the scent.
- 4 Start back.
- 5 Ball.

6 The mere sound of this apparition is too much for the average golfer.

7 Arise from.

8 Figuratively.

9 I support a Lancashire town when it begins to run down a clergyman.

14 Grand for the races.

15 Merely a bore, no matter how enthusiastic it sounds.

16 Trees that are frequently greased in order to get things moving.

18 Gee up!

20 This gent is hot stuff.

23 The descent to it is easy, but the sun rises at last.

25 Just think. Wise men are of assistance here.

27 There doesn't seem to be much reason for getting excited about an English river—but there you are!

28 The dressmaker frequently finds this necessary to improve its last part of a garment.

30 If you look up you'll find good food in the French Dependency.

31 A measure.

Yesterday's Solution.

GENEROUS DESPOT
U. A. T. S. N. E.
NEURITIS OPTION
N. G. L. C. U. L. W. D.
EPHESIANE EXUDE
R. T. L. H. O. L. I. N.
R. S. A. L. V. I. A. I. S. A. O.
C. U. C. I. N. V. S. Y.
ANNIE RATHER
T. L. T. A. A. C. R.
AMITY GUATEMALA
C. C. L. O. L. L. V. E. N.
O. R. K. N. E. Y. S. I. D. E. W. A. L. K.
M. E. N. C. O. N. D. L.
B. A. D. G. E. R. I. N. I. T. I. A. T. E.

POLICE IN INDIA ACTIVE.

MORE CONGRESS LEADERS ARRESTED.

London, Jan. 6. An extensive round-up of Congress leaders is taking place at Bombay to-day. Among those taken into custody besides Mr. Vithalbhai Patel (brother of the Congress President, already arrested), are Mr. Nariman, head of the Bombay Congress Committee, and Mr. Nagindas, one of the chief organisers of the civil disobedience campaign. No serious trouble was encountered by the police.

Clash in Benares.

In Benares yesterday, however, there was a clash between the police and a crowd when the former, having been pelted with stones, fired a few rounds, one rioter being killed.

Home Press Comment.

The *Daily News* states: "Reports from all parts of India and particularly the north show that efforts to organise a hartal and other demonstrations against the Government action have fallen flat, as the last boycott movement so nearly emptied the peoples' pockets that they are in no mood to tolerate it again."

JAPAN'S SPY SCARE.

SEAMEN FROM BLUE FUNNEL VESSEL ARRESTED.

Tokyo, Jan. 6. Five sailors from the Blue Funnel vessel *Anthochus* have been arrested at Hakodate for trespassing in a fortified area. They are under examination by the local procurator's office, and are expected to be released with a warning.—*Reuters.*

The Ordinances.

Further emergency Ordinances issued yesterday give special powers to the Magistracy for coping with the civil disobedience movement. Broadly speaking, the Ordinances now in force have been drafted in the light of the earlier experience of Congress tactics, and are designed to counter these promptly and with the minimum of disturbances.

The *Manchester Guardian*, in a survey of these measures, says that while the area affected by the emergency powers may be extended as required, the Government will naturally be anxious to avoid, as far as possible, putting measures into force that would interfere with the normal movements of the population.—*British Wireless.*

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

A Hero!

By Blosser



GUARD AGAINST

DIPHTHERIA CARRIERS

By using our special antiseptic gargle.

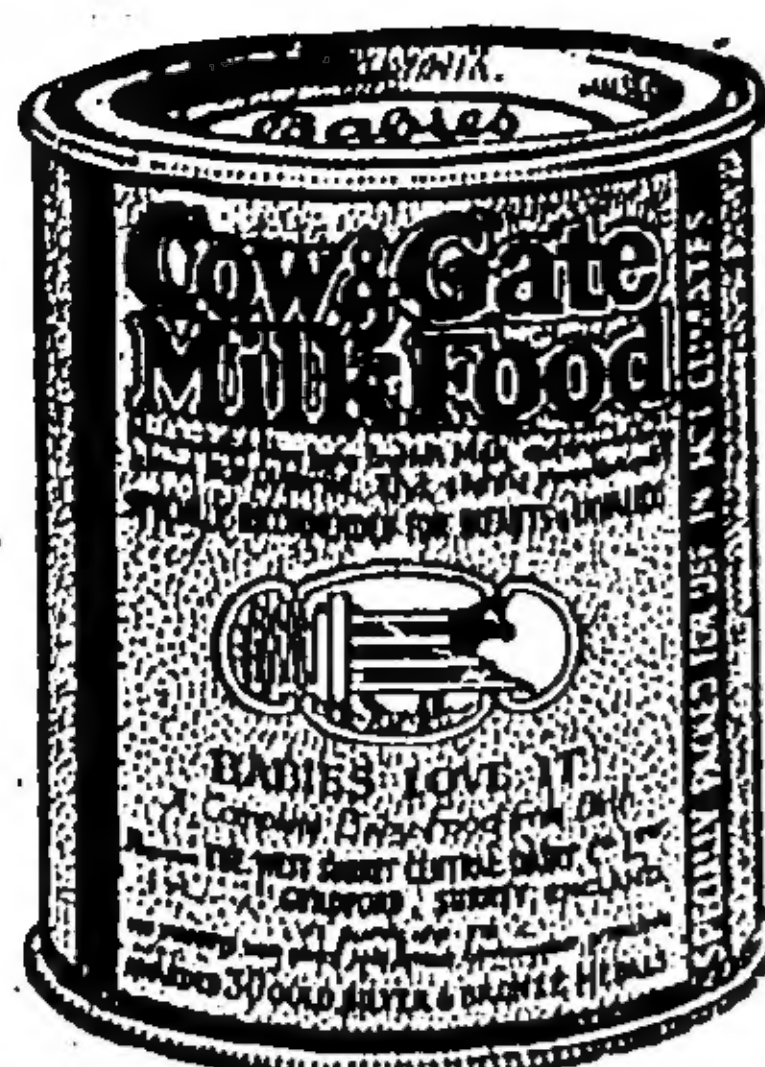
\$1.00 Per bottle.

THE PHARMACY

Asiatia Building.

Tel. 20345.

"THE BEST"
—And Your
Baby
Is Entitled
To It.



Sole Agents

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

The Hongkong Dispensary.

Established 1811.



PORTABLE GRAMOPHONE

A British Made machine of splendid quality—Latest type double spring motor, playing three records at one winding—Metal diaphragm soundbox of improved design—Special record and needle containers—Double action, locks—Reliable automatic brake.

Available in Red or Blue

Price \$80.00.

Usual Cash Discount

S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.

Chater Road.

**LANE,
CRAWFORD'S
GREAT
ANNUAL**

STOCK-TAKING SALE

IN
ALL
DEPTS:

**DRASTIC
REDUCTIONS
FOR 7
MORE DAYS**

**BELIEVE IT
OR NOT —**



A fleet of 72 Chevrolet cars is being run at an average cost of 4.9 cents gold per mile per car.

This cost, remarkable only when compared with maintenance costs of competitive cars, is being obtained by a large electric manufacturing concern. The figure includes 50% for a year's depreciation, insurance, gas, oil, tires, general repairs and other maintenance operations.

**AUTHORISED CHEVROLET
DEALERS.**

THE HONGKONG HOTEL GARAGE.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.
Incorporated in Hongkong.
Stubbs Road Happy Valley

BIRTH.

PERRY.—At Hamstead, London, on 6th January to Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Perry, a son.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1932.

POLITICAL TRENDS IN CHINA: II.

The emergence of a new Chinese Government, in which the head of the late Government has accepted a subordinate position, marks a triumph of political and constitutional principles within the Kuomintang. Mr. Wang Chingwei can rightly regard the result with some satisfaction. The result once achieved may pave the way to the abjuring of military methods in effecting a change of government, and if, as at present seems likely, Chiang Kai-shek has indeed resisted the temptation to dominate politics by force, and has sacrificed immediate personal ambition for the sake of political principle, he has set an example of political integrity which will have its effect in Chinese politics generally and will redound in no small measure to his personal credit. He will the more probably return to power in the future with strong popular backing because he has to that degree preferred the public interest to personal ends.

The Kuomintang has not, however, won its internal victory without serious cost. It is still impossible to estimate how serious has been the damage to the credit of China among the nations by the spectacle, as it appeared, of political incompetence at the moment when it was necessary for her to present a united front against Japanese aggression, and so strengthen the hands of the League. Internally, too, the cost has been great. While the Kuomintang has been engaged with strife within its own ranks, the nation has grown increasingly impatient. Political theories which exclude the Kuomintang have been growing apace. Quiet citizens throughout the land have been disgusted by the excesses of local *tang-pu*. These have been the prey of mercenary professional politicians, with whom the respectable elements of society would have nothing to do, and the Kuomintang has come to stand, not for the Three Principles, but for corrupt local administration. Against this background the rival theories of politics have thrived, especially in the universities and schools. The student class, whose members have demonstrated in so disorderly a fashion at Nanking, not only brutally

attacked Dr. C. T. Wang, and subsequently other leading men, but most significantly sacked the head offices of the Kuomintang. The students are said no longer to support the Party at all. They are divided along the two extreme lines with which we are becoming increasingly familiar in European politics, into what correspond to Fascist and Communist groups. For some reason or other, Communism, whose expression has often been ruthlessly suppressed among other classes, has been tolerated in the universities. Political theory more speedily issues into action in Eastern than Western countries, and the student influence is more direct.

The late Government was impotent in the face of the student agitation, which was carried on openly with Communist slogans and with patent disregard of the law. Another party has, however, appeared in student politics. The Nationalist Party, which savours of Fascism and may ultimately sponsor a political dictatorship, is rapidly acquiring political influence. It will be interesting to see how the new Government will deal with these new political forces. Will the Kuomintang continue in a middle way and succeed in leading the country to constitutionalism? Or will it split, one section sponsoring one of the new parties, one another?

French Offer to Germany.

France has come forward, somewhat dramatically, with a profession of her willingness to extend the German moratorium on the conditional annuities until July 1934. And the price of the offer is the postponement of the Lausanne Reparations Conference, which Britain urged should be held on January 18, until the last week in February. Three other important matters for early discussion are to be noted. The standstill agreement affecting Germany's private debts matures on February 29. The Disarmament Conference is scheduled to open at Geneva on February 2. The League Council meets to re-examine, in the light of fresh developments, the Manchurian situation on January 25. The puzzle at this distance is to discover the connexion, if any, between the unexpected French offer and these particular matters. It seems a pleasing enough gesture at first glance, but where is the catch in it? It has been the special forte of France to establish bargaining points in advance of negotiations. She must anticipate a searching for motives. The desire for postponement appears to foreshadow important happenings between now and February 25 which may influence the conference, render its task easier, or the concession part more difficult. It is impossible to believe that the urgency of what Mr. Ramsay MacDonald calls the "great menace" of the European financial problem has disappeared miraculously rendering an early meeting unnecessary. It is evident from the latest British communiqué in reference to the appointment of Sir Maurice Hankey as Secretary-General to the Conference that nothing has occurred to lead Britain to consider the desirability of postponement or to expect a French request for postponement beyond a day or two at the outside. For the same reason, it would seem unlikely that the offer is the result of the Franco-British preliminary discussions. It is possible, of course, that France seeks the delay merely to employ a probable reparations concession as a lever to take the strain off France at the disarmament conference. Britain's reaction to the French desire will be awaited with some interest.

Found under the bed in a shop at 56, Des Voeux Road Central, yesterday afternoon, a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, charged with loitering with intent to commit a felony, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. Detective Sergeant McHardy told his Worship that the defendant was found by two foks under one of the beds. When questioned he said he was looking for a cook, but there was no such person as mentioned by the defendant on the premises. The defendant had a conviction for a similar offence.

DAY BY DAY

THE MAN TO WHOM THE UNIVERSE DOES NOT DIRECTLY REVEAL WHAT RELATION IT HAS TO HIM: WHOSE HEART DOES NOT TELL HIM WHAT HE OWES TO HIMSELF AND OTHERS: THAT MAN WILL SCARCELY LEARN IT OUT OF BOOKS; WHICH GENERALLY DO LITTLE MORE THAN GIVE OUR ERRORS NAMES.—Goethe.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due at Shanghai on the 8th at noon and leaves for Hongkong on the 9th.

An effective wall calendar has been issued by Messrs. Gilman and Co. as agents for Maffiano, Lang's well-known biscuits.

The handbook of the New Territories Agricultural Show, to be held on Saturday and Sunday, may be had from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh this afternoon.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Revenue Officer Harold Victor Pearce, No. 70, Morrison Hill Road, to Miss Elizabeth Neca Thomas, No. 120, Whitfield.

Leung To, a destitute, died at the Government Civil Hospital, yesterday the victim of a fatal accident at Connaught Road West, where he was knocked down by a tram-car.

One notification of diphtheria—a European—was made to the Medical Officer of Health this morning. Yesterday there were no new local cases, but one imported contact was reported.

Scholars of the Government and other schools in Hongkong and Kowloon will be admitted into the New Territories Agricultural Show on Saturday on passes duly issued by the Headmasters or Headmistresses. The handbook for the Show may be had from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh this afternoon.

The Committee of St. Patrick's Society of Hongkong expect a large attendance at the first annual general meeting of the Society, to be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden tomorrow Friday, January 8, at 6.15 p.m. The annual report, which has been in the hands of members for some days, has been received with considerable pleasure.

A bus conductor in the employ of the Hongkong Hotel was commended by the Magistrate (Mr. Schofield), this morning for his capture of a bag-snatcher who victimised a Chinese woman in Queen's Road East yesterday. The culprit was given six months' gaol and 20 strokes of the birch, with an additional three months in the event of his being found physically unfit to receive the chastisement.

Han Wan, the principal monk of the Po Kong Yuen Monastery, at Lo Wai, T. W. district, has reported to the police that at 1.30 a.m. to-day some person broke the window of the monastery and, after forcing the iron bars, entered the building. He blew a police whistle and sounded the monastery gong, and the intruder fled. He states that he saw three men holding torches. Nothing was stolen.

A smart rescue was effected early this morning, when a sampan overturned off West Point, and threw its occupants into the water. The accident was noticed from the shore, and Revenue Officer Humphreys, taking charge of the rescue work, succeeded in picking up two of the occupants who were clinging to their overturned craft. No signs were seen of a third man who is believed to have been drowned.

THE TRAGEDY OF EUROPE.

By "THE SENTINEL."

HE MUST be a dull and unimaginative man who does not feel the tragedy of the European scene. As each month slips by the economic storm blows with increasing fury and threatens a catastrophe no less ruinous than the Armageddon from which we have so recently emerged; while in the leading capitals statesmen display a Lilliputian helplessness, as if paralysed by the immensity of the dangers to which the nations are so narrowly exposed. Never was there so great a need for leadership, for the compelling direction of men capable of sweeping aside the superstitions and fears which everywhere infect national policy.

In the directors' room in the Bank of International Settlements in Basle the "experts" were recently gathered together. With what purpose? To determine what had long been obvious to every one of them, in fact already been established with almost ironic clarity by the Wiggins-Layton Report, that the maintenance of reparations and indemnities in their present form and on their present scale is at the root of the world crisis, and that common sense as well as world security demands an immediate moratorium for a period long enough to permit the machinery of international economic life to resume its normal workings.

It is apparently beyond the wisdom of European statesmen to devise a moratorium formula which without prejudicing the interests of any nation would free Europe from its nightmare and afford at least a reasonable chance for world recovery.

During the last week of November the International Conference on Disarmament—a private and unofficial organisation—met in Paris. Under its auspices a great public meeting was held in the Trocadero and was attended by distinguished diplomats and representative public men from many countries. The meeting was wrecked by carefully organised hooliganism. At the same time an anti-disarmament demonstration under the chairmanship of Colonel Marchand achieved a great success and what is perhaps more astonishing, was warmly approved by a considerable section of the Paris Press. These incidents illustrate the mood of a section of the French people. Finance and politics are interwoven in the viewpoint of the average Frenchman.

The interests of Great Britain in what is primarily a Franco-German question are vital. The bankruptcy of Germany would involve the merchants and bankers in heavy losses, which they can nowadays ill afford; but the indirect repercussions on industry and trade would be of far greater moment, and above all our future budgetary position would be completely undermined. We should be confronted with a very ugly position, the alternative of heavy additional taxation to enable us to meet our debt obligation to the United States or repudiation of those obligations. Further taxation on a sufficient scale would mean a definite lowering of our standards of living and a tragic weakening of our industrial and financial

strength. Repudiation is a word which Britain has always shunned, but, as General Smuts has had the courage to warn us, we might be compelled, despite our strongest feelings and traditions, to pocket our dignity and pride.

The emergency decrees promulgated by the Brüning Government are the last desperate effort on the part of Germany to stave off disaster. She can do no more. Everything now depends on France. Will she dispel the universal gloom and offer to an exhausted Continent the chance to renew its strength and resources? In the conduct of nations there is no room for sentiment, self-interest is the over-awful impulse, yet self-interest requires that the nation should look beyond the day.

Deep in the soul of France is the fear of German revenge, fear of a highly-organised and industrious population, half as numerous again as her own, brooding a resolve to regain her lost prestige and power. Can she rid herself of that fear by pursuing her present policy of strangulation? Only for the moment; against the changing currents of human fortune which comprise the future such a course can provide but a frail and uncertain bulwark. For years Britain has sought by every means to ally this fear, and to weave a web of friendly understanding around the two nations, sacrificing to this end a great part of the War debts due to her and offering by the Treaty of Locarno the guarantee of her armistice forces. Her policy has so far borne no fruit, and to-day she stands, bowed by debt and taxation, unable to make further sacrifice or to offer more than her good will.

Is it useless to appeal to the spirit of unity and comradeship which in the hours of her most dire need held France closely to us? Are we not entitled to recall the vision of a united world which inspired the epic sacrifices of the battlefields? England and France may have drifted apart. It is not too late for them to draw together again. By one magnificent gesture, one great act of faith, France can regain the high esteem which her noble constancy and valiant endurance during the war years won for her throughout the Empire. Is it not worth her while? To-day Britain is bowed by her burdens. This will pass. Whatever the coming months, we shall emerge superior to them, strengthened and cleansed by our experience, and the friendship of this people will again be of great account in the affairs of the nations.

The decision of the Cunard Steam Ship Company to suspend work on the construction of the great new vessel No. 534 is an unpleasant though timely reminder of the sort of trials we may have to face. The initiative and enterprise of business men are circumscribed as never before by forces which lie altogether outside their control; commerce and industry are no longer free in a world in which every change in the political barometer alters the appearance of balance-sheets and hinders or advances the plans for future development. It is a cruel world, which this unfortunate generation seeks to master, and as we look back at the quiet orderliness and almost serene confidence of our Edwardian and Victorian forebears, we may be forgiven an envious sigh. With the morning coffee we study hardened and scarcely perturbed, headlines which not so very long ago would have shaken our composure; we have lost our sensitiveness to shock, familiarity has bred complaisance.

Could we look into the future we should without a doubt behold a very strange and unfamiliar world. The alchemy of time is working with redoubled vigour, nothing in the whole range of human activities escapes its transfiguring influence. What will emerge it is not given to us to know, but this at least we may safely predict, that unless in the psychology of nations tolerance and sympathy come to displace fear and suspicion the new age will be no more desirable than our own.

At a general meeting of the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club, which was held in the Union Assembly Hall last night, Mr. E. A. von Koltz-Nagy gave an address to a number of members on the merits and demerits of pictures entered in the current exhibition. He took several of the pictures and made friendly criticism, pointing out good and bad points, and at the conclusion he was thanked for his interesting and instructive address.



"Look quick! Isn't that pretty?"

SINGAPORE XMAS TRAGEDY.

GOVT. HOUSE GUARD FOUND SHOT.

DIES IN HOSPITAL.

Singapore, Dec. 26.
A rifle shot which rang out in the grounds of Government House last night revealed a tragedy which has marred the Christmas Day festivities.

A young soldier of the 2nd Batt. the Gloucestershire Regiment on guard duty was found lying seriously injured with a bullet wound in his head. He died later in hospital.

Shortly after 10 o'clock last night a shot was heard in Government House and on investigation Private Hennessey, of the 2nd Batt. Gloucestershire Regiment, was found lying badly wounded with a bullet in his head and his rifle by his side. He was rushed to hospital but he died about two hours later.

Private Hennessey, who belonged to C. Company, was on guard duty at the time. Only 24 years of age, he was due to go home at the next trooping season after several years of service abroad. He was not married.

As a sportsman Private Hennessey played Rugby for his company and was keen on all other games.

Details of the tragedy are not yet known, but it is thought possible that the rifle may have been accidentally discharged. Both the military and police authorities are most reticent and refuse to issue any statement. The only information that could be obtained from either of these sources was that a military inquiry would be held.

THE LYONS MAIL.

SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY

Sir John Martin Harvey gives an undeniably brilliant performance as Dubois in "The Lyons Mail," the British picture now showing at the Queen's, and in the twin-brother role of Lesquines he is hardly less convincing. But splendid character-acting alone has never made a good film and, as a whole, "The Lyons Mail" cannot be regarded as a credit to the British film industry.

It is hardly likely that the other players were selected merely as foils to the skill of the principal actor, and yet this is the impression quite definitely given. The play as produced by the Twickenham Studios might pass muster as the effort of a middlingly competent amateur theatrical group, but as a professional production, it sets a low standard.

The main weaknesses are possibly due to faulty direction. No attempt has been made to exploit the scope of the camera. There is not a single setting or action sequence in the picture which could not be reproduced on an ordinary stage. The director has also permitted or committed the still more "heinous" film-crime of dragging out the stage plot instead of speeding it up. Doubtless, it could be said in reply that the plot is exceedingly thin and offers many difficulties in the making of a full-length film. There are two ways of meeting such a problem, introducing something fresh, or abandoning the story for film purposes. In dealing with this particular melodrama, I am not sure which would have been better.—K.

ROBBERS VISIT VILLAGES.

TWO RAIDS REPORTED LAST NIGHT.

Two armed robberies overnight interrupted a long spell of immunity from such crimes which the Colony had enjoyed lately.

From Sheung Kwai Chung village comes the report that a farmer there was trussed up by robbers who broke into his hut after he had retired for the night, eventually escaping with a small sum of money and other property, including six chickens, from the farmyard which they had apparently included in the booty as an after-thought. The victim reported having had an unhappy time in being threatened with a dagger.

Sam On Chung village was the scene of another raid. Caution appears to have been thrown to the winds by the band concerned in this case, as it is reported that they made a terrific noise while breaking down the door. In view of this, it seems fatuous that they should have enjoined strict silence on the victim, also a farmer, who was struck on the head with the butt-end of a revolver before he had even the time to speak. The value of the property taken away in this case was \$60.

JAPANESE TROOPS AT THE FRONT.



Top, the coming of pay day brings smiles to the Japanese troops in Manchuria. Below, troops are seen at prayer while the remains of the fallen are cremated.

NOT SUFFICIENT LIFE BELTS.

MOTOR BOAT MASTER FINED.

"The lives of the general public when travelling have to be safeguarded," remarked the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, when imposing a fine of \$50 or six weeks' imprisonment on the master of the motor boat Moonraker I.

The accused, Cheung Chau, pleaded guilty to a charge of having failed to have on board his Class I motor boat, the Moonraker I, the required number of standard lifebelts when under way in the Harbour at 8.40 p.m. on January 3, 1932.

Having admitted the charge, the accused said he should have had nine lifebelts on board, but he had two short. There were no passengers on board at the time. Comdr. Hole.—I don't care a bit how many passengers you had on board at the time. It is the regulation number of lifebelts that matters, and you should have had them on board.

Accused: Two might have been lost. Comdr. Hole.—It is your business to have seen to it. It is a very serious offence, and I am going to make an example of you, because I happen to know that there is a remarkable shortage of lifebelts on boats, and it is a danger to the public who travel on these boats. The lives of the general public have to be safeguarded.

NO AUTHORITY FOR PROSECUTION.

CASES DISMISSED BY MAGISTRATE.

Unable to find any authority for the Police to prosecute under the Public Health and Building Ordinance, Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning dismissed two summonses against the proprietors of eating houses who were accused of allowing wine to be consumed on their premises.

One of the defendants was represented by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks. After hearing the evidence of Sergeant Carruthers, the magistrate pointed out that there was no authority for Police Officers to prosecute under the Ordinance. He accordingly dismissed both summonses but remarked that if the Police found any authority he was prepared to re-open the cases.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Brooks said that the point had not occurred to him. He did not know of any authority for the police to prosecute under the Ordinance.

RUGBY TOURISTS WIN AGAIN.

COMBINED COUNTY XV HEAVILY DOWN.

LONDON, Jan. 6.
The South African rugby tourists to-day defeated a combined Cumberland and Yorkshire XV by 27 points to five. The match was played at Workington.—Reuter.

NASTY LOOKING WEAPONS.

MAN AND WOMAN IN COURT.

Two dangerous-looking weapons, a dagger and a bludgeon, were produced as exhibits at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court before Mr. Fraser this morning when a man and wife, Li Kun and Tang Pik respectively, were charged with unlawful possession of the weapons.

The dagger was made from a file, sharpened to a fine point, while the bludgeon was only about five inches long, but was fashioned in such a manner as to



Mr. Debuchi, the Japanese Ambassador to America. According to latest cables, he may have a communication of interest to make to Tokyo shortly.

shoot out to the length of a foot and a half when swung at an arm's length. Police officers called it a "black-jack".

Prosecuting, Detective Sub-Inspector Elston stated that as a result of inquiries, police officers went to the first floor of No. 366, Reclamation Street, and in a cubicle, found the first defendant sleeping on a bed. Under his pillow was found the dagger and in his coat pocket the bludgeon. A piece of silk, made into a sash, was also found on the premises, and this, Inspector Elston described as a weapon used by robbers particularly in the country.

As the weapons were found in the possession of the man, the woman Tang Pik was discharged.

The man stated that he was a tallyman employed last year at the Blue Funnel godowns. He was now doing odd-jobs as a tallyman. Referring to the ordinance under which the charge was framed, his Worship said the case should be dealt with summarily unless at the written request of the I. G. P., when the defendant might be committed for trial.

Inspector Elston said there were forms before him, but he had not seen them for a long time. He thought that custom had already been washed out.

His Worship adjourned the case until Saturday morning.

THE NEW FRENCH DESTROYER.

UNIT OF POWERFUL FORCE OF 30 SHIPS.

It is believed that the Tartu, the new French destroyer which has just been launched, will be one of the fastest vessels of her kind in the world, having a speed of more than 36 knots.

The ship is one of twelve vessels begun in 1928 and now completing. Though rated as torpedo-boat-destroyers, these ships are in reality small cruisers, or destroyer-cruisers, and when completed will form a very powerful cruiser force.

Of 2,480 tons, standard, the Tartu mounts five 5.1-inch guns one 3-inch anti-aircraft gun, four one-pounder anti-aircraft guns, and six 21.7 torpedo tubes, in two triple mountings. With the enormous horse-power of 70,000, she is expected to achieve 38 knots on trial, and at 18 knots she will have a radius of action of 2,500 to 3,000 miles.

The armament of these ships, it will be seen, is very powerful for vessels of such tonnage, and the comparatively small radius of action at economical speed indicates that they are intended for comparatively local work, as they have insufficient radius for protracted ocean cruises.

The speed of these vessels is less noteworthy than their armament, being, indeed, little, if at all, in excess of British destroyers under service conditions. H.M.S. Codrington having maintained 38 knots for four hours on trial.

Trial speeds are generally carried out on a light draught, which gives an incorrect idea of the speeds obtained at full draught.

A British Comparison.
It is of interest to note that the British destroyer Tartar built by Messrs. Thornycroft, a quarter of a century ago, attained a recorded trial speed of 35.7 knots, which speed, was in reality considerably exceeded.

When the current programme of these small cruisers is completed France will have 30 of these vessels, mounting 150 of the very powerful 5.1-inch guns. As commerce raiders they would prove formidable craft in the absence of convoy, and an adequate fleet of convoy cruisers.

On the completion of the 1930 programme of destroyers, Great Britain will have 163 destroyers and flotilla leaders averaging approximately 1,200 tons and including 116 of fourteen years of age and over.

France will have 90, including the 30 vessels of this new type, 26 destroyers corresponding nearly to our latest types, and 34 older destroyers, which are, however, by no means obsolete.

SMOOTHER SHAVES.

GILLETTE INTRODUCES NEW RAZOR AND BLADE

The Gillette Safety Razor Company, after selling the world more than 115,000,000 razors and more than 5,000,000,000 razor blades during the last 28 years, "has brought out an entirely new razor and blade, new in principle and design, which gives a better shave and eliminates many of the unpleasant features of shaving. The Gillette factory is in operation 24 hours a day, turning out 80,000 new razors and 2,700,000 new blades each day. This production will have to be maintained steadily it is said, in order to fill the orders already on hand.

As an important part of the distribution of this huge output, the Gillette Safety Razor Company is planning to spend £2,000,000 in advertising during the coming year, according to Frank J. Fahey, vice-president and general manager of the company. The most important newspapers of the world, including the Hongkong Telegraph will be used.

The new razor will sell at moderate prices, and the blades will cost no more than the old-style blades. The new blades can be used in the old type Gillette razor, but for results the New Gillette Blade should be used in the New Gillette Razor.

The New Gillette razor will eliminate "razor pull." This is often caused by the fact that the corner of the guard becomes bent when the razor is dropped on the floor or washed, thus throwing the blade out of alignment. The new razor and blade correct this and the blade is kept in perfect adjustment always. Another feature of the new razor is that it does not have to be taken apart to be washed. The blades are rust resisting and after use the frame is loosened, the guard turned at right angles to it and rinsed in water, and then the razor is laid on the shelf to dry.

It is stated also that the new razor will shave much better in the difficult places, around the corners of the mouth, and the nose, and the ears.

Readers may look forward to seeing the new Gillette razors and blades at their dealers in the very near future.

RADIO BROADCAST

EUROPEAN CHILDREN'S CONCERT.

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.
5.00-8.00 p.m. European programme.
8.00-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.
10.30 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.

5.00-5.35 p.m. Selections from the Opera "Carmen" (Bizet).

Song-Love Is Like A Wood-bird.
Song-Chanson Boheme.
Maria Jerizta (Soprano). 8091.
Band Selection.

Creator and His Band. 35841-2.
Song-Tender Song.
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 8124.

5.35-6.05 p.m. European children's Programme from the Studio.

6.05-6.38 p.m. Orchestral.
Along The Banks of the Volga (Bachert).

March Weber and His Orch. B3837.
L'Apprenti Sorcier (Paul Dukas).
Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini. 7021.

Waltz (Ravel).
Albert Cortes and Symphony Orch. 9130-1.

Dance Of The Spirits of the Earth (Gustav Holst).
Cortes and Symphony Orch. 9131.

7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations and Mail Notice).

6.38-7.25 p.m. Variety.
Humorous Song-What Archibald Says Goes.

Gracie Fields. B3692.
Song-It's A Habit Of Mine.
Song-On Top Of The World Alone.
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone). 22007.

Xylophone with Orchestra-Piano Pastime.
Xylophone with Orchestra-Bullfighter March.

The Three Brothers Nehring. B3617.
Vocal-As Time Goes By.
Vocal-Begging For Love.

Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees. 27733.

Song-Together.
Anona Winn (Soprano). B2745.

Organ Solo-Desert Song.
Organ Solo-Riff Song.

Reginald Foort. B2463.
Humorous Song-We're Living At The Cloisters.

Humorous Song-So Tired.
Gracie Fields. B2739.

Song-Goodnight Sweetheart.
Rosa Columbo (Baritone). 22826.

7.25-7.55 p.m. Instrumental.
Violin Solo-Cavatina (Raff).

Violin Solo-Serenata (Toselli).
Dietz Weismann. B3770.

Piano Solo-Ballad in F Major Op. 38 (Chopin).
Alfred Cortot. D. B. 344.

Violin Solo-Vocalise (Rachmaninoff).
Prestia.

Violin Solo-Caprice in E Flat Major (Wieniawski-Kreisler).
Mitscha Elman. 1364.

Piano Solo-Ballade in F Minor Op. 62 (Chopin).
Alfred Cortot. D. B. 346.

All records in the above European recorded Programme are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co.

7.55 p.m.
Mendelssohn's Wedding March played by Quentin M. Maclean. D3298.

(This record which is by special request is kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.).

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

JOCKEY CLUB TO APPEAL.

LIBEL ACTION SEQUEL.

It is understood that an appeal has been decided upon following the case in which Mr. Charles Chapman, the racehorse trainer, was, on Dec. 1, awarded £16,000 damages for libel.

Mr. Chapman brought his case on the decision of the Jockey Club Stewards to warn him off Newmarket Heath and disqualify Don Pat.

The action was against Lord Ellesmere, Lord Harewood and Lord Rosebery, Stewards of the Jockey Club, Messrs. Weatherby and Sons, of Cavendish-square, London, and the Times newspaper.

Vote of Confidence.

The "Racing Calendar" states that at a meeting of the Jockey Club held in London recently Lord Derby proposed, and Major H. T. Barclay seconded, the following resolution, which was unanimously passed by the club:

"That this meeting of the Jockey Club desires to place on record its unabated confidence in the Stewards of the Jockey Club who were concerned in the recent case of Chapman v. Ellesmere and others."



that are correct and comfortable every hour of the day.

In "Keltic" and "Bective" Footwear you have two of the leading British Brands of Boots and Shoes. Guaranteed made from the finest materials in Black, Brown and Patent Leather, in all sizes and fitting from sizes 4 to 11.

Call and let us show them to you. They are in stock for Day, Evening or Sports Wear.

Wm. POWELL, Ltd.

Sole Agents:
10, ICE HOUSE STREET.

THERE IS NO PARALLEL TO THE DESIGN, QUALITY AND FINISH OF THE FURNITURE

MADE BY ARTS & CRAFTS

GUARD AGAINST DIPHTHERIA

GARGLE

with

S.T. 37

(HEXYLRESORCINOL SOLUTION)

A MOST POWERFUL ANTISEPTIC.

It is non-irritating, non-toxic, non-poisonous, odorless and has a PLEASANT TASTE.

"GET IT AT YOUR DRUGGISTS."

Sizes: In 3 oz. and 12 oz. Bottles.

Sole Distributors:—

MUSTARD & CO., LTD.

"ATHENA" Studio

INTERIOR DECORATION MODERN FURNITURE

MADE BY FRENCH DESIGNER.

OPENING 11th JANUARY, 1932

Tai-Ping Building—4th Floor

SINCERE'S WOOLLEN SALE Now On

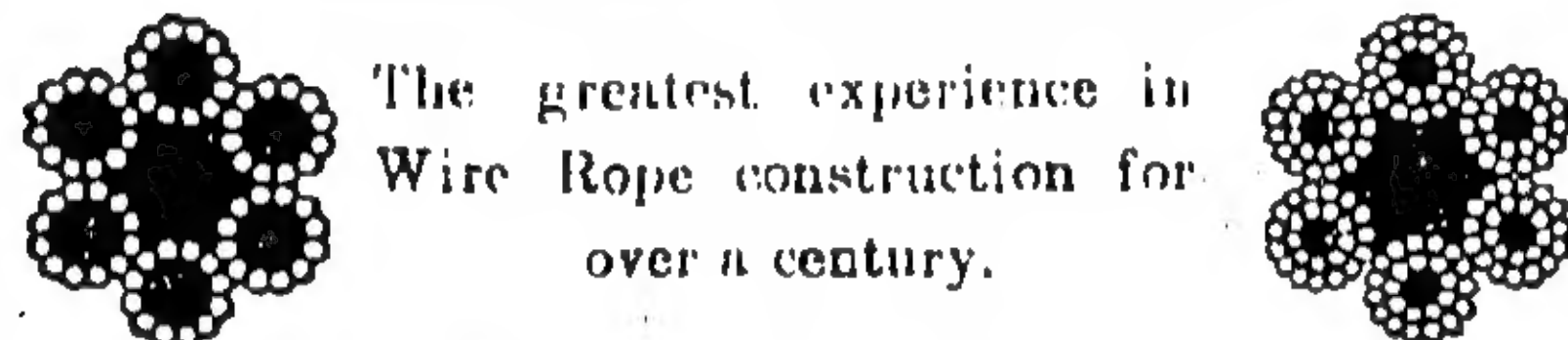
Drastic Cut in Prices of All
our Stocks of Woollen Wear.

An Excellent Oppor-
tunity for Replenish-
ment of Your Winter
Wardrobes at these
Special Low Prices.

BRUNTONS WIRE ROPES

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION
SHIPPING & SHIPBUILDING

Hawsers, Cargo Runners, Rigging, Dredging, Towing,
Trawling, Derrick, Transporters, Slings, etc.



The greatest experience in
Wire Rope construction for
over a century.

Stocks available.

Prices and all particulars on application to
SOLE AGENTS

Shewan, Tomes & Co.

BOLS LIQUEURS V.O. GENEVA



Careful... don't spill
... gorgeous colour,
... isn't it? Aroma, too
... exquisite. Well
here's luck... Jove!
that's a marvellous
liqueur... of course
... it's Bols.

Kummel, Dry Curacao, Crème
de Menthe, White Curacao
Triple Sec, Cherry Brandy.

SOLE AGENTS:
CAI DE BECK,
MACQUEEN &
CO., LTD.

(Incorporated under
the Companies Ord-
nances of Hong Kong)
(Incorporated in
Shanghai)



For the Best
LOCAL VIEWS
and
PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS
Go To
MEE CHEUNG

Studio, Ice House St. Branch 7, Beacon Road.

CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Nine unusual feminine outfits en-
hance Clara Bow's flare in "Her Wed-
ding Night." Presented as a velvet
woman of fashion, it is a new Clara
Bow who will make her appearance
at the King's Theatre, where "Her
Wedding Night" is now showing.

Travis Banton, designer of ultra
modern wardrobes for Paramount
stars devoted his ultra-modern ideas,
gathered on his recent Paris trip, to
Miss Bow's outfit. It includes two
street dresses, two afternoon dresses,
one sports frock, one evening gown,
two lounging pyjama ensembles and
a striking negligee.

Of the street frocks, one is of beige
and black crepe, round, trimmed
with black fox. With this Miss Bow
wears a velvet hat of black and beige.
Her second street outfit is blue crepe,
tailored, and trimmed with white
pique. With this costume, she wears
a corsage of white, blue and red
carnations and a blue hat.

The first of her pyjama ensembles
to be seen in the picture is black
satin and white crepe with an em-
broided robe of the same materials.
Miss Bow's sports frock is of white
crepe with brown velvet coat, and
with this, she wears white straw
hat with long feathered trim.

Her evening gown, declared to be
the most striking creation ever worn
by the little star in any of her pic-
tures, is of plain black chiffon heavily
beaded. Two afternoon dresses of
figured chiffons complete the ward-
robe.

"Her Wedding Night" is a style re-
vel beyond even Banton's creations
for Clara Bow. Three other noted
beauties of Hollywood are in the sup-
porting cast, Rosita Moreno, Geneva
Mitchell and Natalie Kingston. For
each of these Banton designed sev-
eral striking costumes certain to win
the admiration and envy of feminine
hearts everywhere.

"Silence" Coming.

Authors who write stage plays are
now adapting their own dramas for
the screen.

Max Marcin, author of the play
"Silence," which was an outstanding
dramatic success on Broadway a few
seasons ago, made all the changes
necessary for transferring the story
to film, and with Louis Gasnier,
directed the production at the Para-
mount studio.

Likewise, Zoo Atkins, author of the
stage hit, "Daddy's Gone A-Hunting,"
which appeared on the screen under
the title of "Women Love Once,"
wrote the continuity and dialogue for
the film.

Marcin's play, "Silence," which will
show at the King's Theatre next Sun-
day, was produced by Crosby Gaige
in New York, and opened at the Na-
tional Theatre in November, 1924,
with H. B. Warner in the starring
role. It is a complicated melodrama,
motivated by an attractive crook who
brings death and disgrace to the girl
he loves, and years afterwards, finds
his own daughter imperilled by his
lawless past. To save her he faces
the gallows with his lips tightly seal-
ed on the secrets which would drag
her also to shame.

Clive Brook, Marjorie Rambeau,
Peggy Shannon and Charles Starrett
are seen in the leading roles of the
screen play in which the action takes
place over a period of more than
twenty years. Miss Shannon, who
recently made her screen debut with
Richard Arlen in "The Secret Call,"
plays two roles in "Silence," as, first,
as the wife and, later, as the
daughter of Clive Brook. These two
characters never meet in the action,
however.

Marcin a veteran stage playwright
has been directing motion pictures for
several months. With Gasnier, a
veteran of thirty years screen ex-
perience, he recently directed "The
Lawyer's Secret."

Joan Introduces new Song.

Joan Crawford offers a new song
number in "Laughing Sinners," her
new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring
vehicle which will open on Sunday
at the Queen's Theatre.

The song is "What Can I Do—
I Love That Man!" written by Martin
Brookes and Arthur Freed especially
for the production which was directed
by Harry Beaumont from the Kenyon
Nicholson stage hit, "The Torch
Song." It is one of the few new
songs to make its debut from the
screen and the first time Joan has
sung in pictures since "Montana
Moon."

In the dramatic picture, the song
serves as an atmospheric background
in many episodes after it is originally
tendered by the star in Helen Morgan
style in the opening roadhouse scenes
which motivate the story.

Nell Hamilton and Clark Gable
share leading man honours in the new
film and the cast includes Marjorie
Rambeau, Guy Kilbee, Cliff Edwards,
Roscoe Karns, Gertrude Scher, George
Cooper, George F. Marion and Bert
Woodruff.

"Mother's Millions."

"Mother's Millions," which opened
yesterday at the Central Theatre,
is a remarkable example of a mighty
good play transferred almost bodily
into the film, and the screen, and
with equally good, if not better
results. Howard McKent Barnes
wrote the play originally for May
Robson's use. Though this reviewer
never saw it, it is understood to have
been a financial and artistic success
for Miss Robson. It was this suc-
cess which inspired her to use it as
a vehicle for her talking picture debut.
It is remarkable, of course, because
it lent itself so remarkably to trans-
cription to the screen. Winnifred
Dunn is credited with the adaptation.
It is still more remarkable for the
vital and gripping performance of
May Robson. This is not to be won-
dered at. The play was written for
her, and James Flood very wisely
retained the splendid dramatic clim-
axes, the appropriate comedy relief
episodes as well as the stage charac-

terizations which made the original
play such a success. The screen, by
virtue of her performance, and its
promise of many more to come, gains
a new personality, a new figure of
vigorous strength and sure touch.

The story briefly deals with the
trials and tribulations of the son and
daughter of the richest woman in the
world. The girl is eagerly sought in
marriage by her do wells and
fortune hunters. The boy is a mark
for his mother's greatest rival, for
the mother is a dominating figure in
Wall Street, a tyrant in her own home,
equally endeavouring to bring up
her children to be self-reliant, and to
educate them in the school of life so
that they can retain and enjoy the
heritage of wealth which she will
leave them. The unexpected twist
of this story are numerous and highly
effective, and the richest audience en-
joyed it all thoroughly.

Frances Dade is one of the most
beautiful of the new crop of screen
ingenues; James Hall and Lawrence
Gray bear their roles with distinction.
A word of praise should be given
Lillian Harmer for a remarkable piece
of characterization. Edmund Breese
of course, is always good, and is
especially effective in the role of Wil-
liam Remington.

"The Common Law."
The Bohemian life of the Paris art
colony is frankly and truly pictured
in Constance Bennett's new film for
RKO Pathé, "The Common Law,"
which will be the next attraction at the
Central Theatre.

Many of the scenes are played in a
typical Paris studio. Some of the
most unusual are those depicting "The
Four Arts Ball" in full swing. Five
hundred players take part in the ball
sequence, ninety-four of who are
beautiful girls costumed in daring
outfits patterned after those worn by
models at the Paris festival.

Henry Clive, internationally known
painter, who has studied in Paris and
acted as technical director for the art
colony sequences.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close
of the sugar market yesterday has
been received by Messrs. Pen-
treath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 7/13, up 1/4d.
May 7/3 1/2 up 1/4d.
August 7/5 1/2 up 1/4d.
December 7/9 1/2 up 1/4d.

Buyers at above prices, sellers
asking 1/4-1/2d. more.

New Year Terminals.

March 1/09 down 3 pts.
May 1/12 down 4 pts.
July 1/18 down 2 pts.
September 1/23 down 3 pts.
December 1/26 down 6 pts.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Previous day.	Yesterday.
Paris 85.11/16	85.7/16
Geneva 17.11/16	17.3/11
Berlin 14.20	14.3/4
Oslo 18 1/2	18 1/2
Helsingfors 230	232 1/2
Athens 260	262 1/2
Buenos Aires 40 1/2	40 1/2
Shanghai 1/11/16	1/11/16
New York 3/36 1/2	3/36 1/2
Amsterdam 30	30
Vienna 30	30
Madrid 30.15/16	30 1/2
Bucharest 570	565
Hongkong 1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Brussels 24.22 1/2	24 1/2
Milan 66 1/2	66 1/2
Stockholm 17.11/16	17 1/2
Pague 113 1/2	113 1/2
Lisbon 109 1/2	109 1/2
Rio 4 1/2	4 1/2
Bombay 1/6 9/16	1/6 3/4
Yokohama 2/0 1/2	2/0
Montevideo 31 1/2	31 1/2
Montreal 3.86	3.86
Silver (spot) 20.7/16	20.3/16
(forward) 20.7/16	20.3/16

—British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local
share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$147 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank, \$10 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$17 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$123 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$1,350 n.
Union Ins., \$410 n.
China Underwriters, \$490 n.
China Fire, \$950 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,250 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$24 1/2 n.
H.K. Steamships, \$24 n.
Indo-China, (Pref.) \$45 n.
Union Waterboats, \$25 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$10 1/2 n.
Kallana, 27/6 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 270 n.
Kauhs, \$39 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$154 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$5.30 b.
Hongkew's, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 39 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cotton Tls. 16.20 n.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 77 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11 1/2 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. K. S. Hotels (old) \$15.35 b.
H. K. S. Hotels (new) \$14.85 b.
H.K. Lands, \$82 1/2 n.
S'hai Land, Tls. 80 n.
Humphreys' \$19 n.
Realities, \$12.15 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$22.40 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.00 n.
Star Ferries, \$96 1/4 n.
China Light, 27/6 n.
H. K. Electric, \$79 1/2 n.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 17.30 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3- b.

Industrials.

China Sugars 50 cts. n.
Malabons \$39 n.
Canton Ice, \$5 1/2 n.
Gement (com.) 19.50 n.
Ropes, 18 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29 b.
Watsons, \$16.90 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6.40 b.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sincere's, \$15 1/2 n.
Povells, \$3.50 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Constructions, (old) \$5.55 b.

SPANISH UNREST.

STRIKES IN CONFLICT WITH THE POLICE.

Madrid, Jan. 6.

Two people were killed and 12
injured near Saragossa when a
body of strikers came into conflict
with the Civil Guards. This makes
a total of 15 dead within the last
five days.—Reuter's Special Ser-
vice.



Francis Dade as "Faith" in "Mother's Millions," now showing at
the Central Theatre.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

We beg to announce that from to-day
and until further notice, all Milk and
Cream sold by us will be Pasteurized and
may be consumed as delivered to cus-
tomers. This step has the full approval
of the Medical Officer of Health.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

BRUNSWICK—MELOTONE RECORDS

of the Latest Dance Hits.

Obtainable from
THE BRUNSWICK HOUSE
Arcade—Gloucester Bldg.

Felix Hat Shop.

York Building, Chater Road.

NEW YEAR'S SALE.

All Goods offered at greatly re-
duced Prices irrespective of cost,
in order to make room for our
Spring Consignments.

ENJOY the advantages... BETTER...Profit by Them



Enjoy these advantages...yes,
profit by them when you ship
your goods into American mar-
kets via the Pacific's nearest
American port to you, SEATTLE.
Profit by saving time...and save
the dollars that result!

Seattle is nearer by several days
to Oriental markets. The Port of
Seattle offers seven ultra modern
public terminals and exceptionally
low handling costs to facilitate the
transferring of shipments.

So many shippers have learned to
"SHIP VIA SEATTLE" in the last few
years that great public expenditures
have been necessary to fulfill the
demand for ship accommodations.
Seventeen great passenger and
freight lines to and from the
Orient...six transcontinental
railroads from Seattle. Yes,
PROFIT BY THE ADVANTAGES
SEATTLE OFFERS YOU...ex-
ceptional opportunities.

For full particulars write
Traffic Department

the PORT of SEATTLE

MAN HING TAILOR

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.
No. 6 D'Agullar Street. Tel. 30780.



LONDON SERVICE

RECTOR 20th Jan. For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow.

AUTOLYOUS 2nd Feb. For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

ALLENBOR 15th Jan. For Port Said, Genoa, Havre & Liverpool.

DOLICH 20th Feb. For Port Said, Genoa, Liverpool, Havre & Glasgow.

NEW YORK SERVICE

BUCKENOR 20th Jan. For New York, New York & Baltimore.

TYNDAL 15th Jan. For New York, New York & Seattle.

PROTEUS 15th Feb. For New York, New York & Seattle.

INWARD SERVICE

AREAS 15th Jan. For Shanghai & Japan.

PREMIER 15th Jan. From New York.

Also cargo services with limited passenger accommodation.

For freight, passenger rates and information apply to the undersigned.

All bookings are subject to the provisions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Agents.



REDUCED THROUGH TICKETS TO EUROPE VIA U.S.A.
VARYING FROM £79 to £120 ON SALE

SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.

Chichibu Maru ... Wednesday, 13th Jan.

Tokyo Maru ... Wednesday, 27th Jan.

SEATTLE, VANGUARD via Shanghai & Japan Ports.

Hiogo Maru ... Tuesday, 19th Jan.

Heian Maru ... Tuesday, 16th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via

Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez.

Fushimi Maru ... Saturday, 9th Jan.

Hakone Maru ... Saturday, 23rd Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.

Kamo Maru ... Saturday, 23rd Jan.

Kitano Maru ... Saturday, 27th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

Tango Maru ... Monday, 11th Jan.

Genoa Maru ... Wednesday, 20th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu,

Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.

Hokuyo Maru ... Sunday, 14th Feb.

NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople,

Genoa & Marseilles.

*Durban Maru ... Thursday, 14th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

*Morioka Maru ... Friday, 15th Jan.

*Mitsunaka Maru ... Friday, 25th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

Hakusan Maru ... Friday, 8th Jan.

Kitano Maru (Nagasaki Direct) ... Fri, 15th Jan.

Hokuyo Maru ... Friday, 22nd Jan.

*Cargo only.

For further information apply to:—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

Telephone 30291. (private exchanges to all Depts.)

INDO CHINA STEAM
NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination.	Steamers	Sailings.
TO TIENTSIN via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	Norvikon	Sun. 10th Jan at 7 a.m.
	Kwaisang	Wed. 13th Jan at 7 a.m.
	Sandvikon	Sun. 17th Jan at 7 a.m.
	Hargang	Wed. 20th Jan at 7 a.m.
TO SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Kumsang	Thurs. 7th Jan at 5 p.m.
	Yungsang	Satur. 16th Jan at 3 p.m.
	Suisang	Satur. 6th Feb at 3 p.m.
TO OSAKA via AMOY & KOBE	Kutsang	Tues. 19th Jan at 7 a.m.
TO YOKOHAMA via AMOY, KOBE & OSAKA	Hosang	Sun. 31st Jan at 7 a.m.
TO SANDAKAN	Mausang	Thurs. 7th Jan at 3 p.m.
	Hinsang	Wed. 13th Jan at noon.
TO TIENTSIN via SHANGHAI	Cheongsang	Satur. 9th Jan at 7 a.m.
TO TIENTSIN via SWATOW, SHANGHAI & CHEFOO	Chipsang	Tues. 19th Jan at 7 a.m.

For freight or passage apply to:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Telephone 30311.

General Managers

LOCAL CRICKET.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL DEFEATED
BY UNIVERSITY.

Playing at Pokfulam yesterday, the University defeated the Diocesan Boys School by 35 runs in an interesting cricket match. Scores:

University.	
D. J. N. Anderson, b Reed	28
P. L. Tan, b Whitley	1
H. Nomanbhoy, c Reed, b Hulse	45
R. E. G. Leong, run out	20
B. K. Ng, b Prata	8
W. K. Choa, b Broadbridge	8
A. A. Aziz, c Frith, b Hulse	14
M. Yayahoy, not out	18
S. B. Tata, b Broadbridge	8
P. B. Tata, not out	12
Extras	12

Total (for 8 wks.) 163

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. Whitley	10	1	30	1
A. Prata	16	3	44	1
R. Reed	5	3	36	1
A. J. Hulse	6	1	18	2
A. de Roza	2	1	6	—
Broadbridge	2	1	12	2

Diocesan Boys School.

A. Prata, b Yayahoy	31
R. J. Reed, c P. B. Tata, b Nomanbhoy	22
N. Broadbridge, b Tan	0
N. Whitley, at Ng, b Nomanbhoy	0
A. J. Hulse, b Anderson	17
A. Zimmern, b Yayahoy	0
J. Winch, b Yayahoy	9
A. de Roza, b Tan	13
P. H. Power, b W. K. Choa	12
I. K. Kwai, b Yayahoy	9
E. Frith, not out	20
Extras	12

Total 128

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. K. Choa	3	—	22	—
P. L. Tan	10	4	28	2
H. Nomanbhoy	6	1	19	2
M. Yayahoy	6	3	10	5
A. A. Aziz	3	—	8	—
D. Hunt	2	—	10	—
Anderson	3	—	11	1

CHILDREN'S SPORTS.

HAPPY GATHERING ON
H.K.E.C. GROUND.

Children of members of the United Service Lodge, No. 131 E.C., and their parents, spent a happy afternoon on the Hongkong Football Club ground at Happy Valley yesterday when a combined sports meeting was held. A Christmas tree, from which presents and prizes were distributed by Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, was a happy accompaniment to the function. At the conclusion, cheers were given for Mrs. Owen Hughes and for Father Christmas, impersonated by Mr. H. E. Budden. Appreciation also went to Mr. C. Daysting, whose get-up as a gull was excellent and afforded no end of amusement. The results of the races follow:

Girls over 7—1st, Pauline Ewing;

2nd, Betty Wadmore;

Boys over 7—1st, Nancy Kerrison;

2nd, Mrs. McFarlane;

Boys under 7—1st, Guy Holland;

2nd, Duncan McTavish;

Boys over 7—1st, Teddy Ramskill;

2nd, Buster Holland;

Ladies' race, finished in the following order: Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Medina, Mrs. Caswell, Mrs. Farlow, and Mrs. Wadmore.

FANLING GOLF.

FIRST ROUND RESULTS OF
CAPTAIN'S CUP.

In the first round of the match play stages of the Captain's Cup of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club the following were the full results:

J. E. Richardson (13) beat E. D. Mathews (9) (4 and 3).

A. C. L. Bowker (8) beat W. C. Shields (5) (2 and 1).

R. M. Wood (17) received walk over from Capt. J. H. Anderson (5).

C. W. F. Hooker (5) beat F. Black (10) (1 up).

P. Morrison (14) beat J. W. Mayhew (13) (at 22nd hole).

H. Hampton (11) received walk over from Capt. A. W. Davison (12).

Surg. Lieut. Com. E. J. K. Weeks

SIM SHIELD MATCH.

CIVILIANS DEFEAT ARMY
YESTERDAY.

On the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday the Civilians defeated the Army by four goals to two in the first of the Sim Shield hockey matches.

The game was very interesting throughout, and a high standard of hockey was attained. The Civilians, though the winners, did not have things their own way, for their goal was bombarded on many occasions.

8 keeping of Gregory that the Army were not able to add to their score.

One Army forward made a considerable amount of attacking but were rather poor in finishing up, and consequently many a good move was spoiled. Moreover, they had a steady pair of backs to pass through in Woodward and Rodger, and whenever they got through Gregory was there to spoil their scoring. Williams, Capt. Morgan and Johnson were about the best of the Army forwards, but Lt. MacFarlane bungled many fine moves.

Owen Hughes was the pick of the civilian side, and he had a hand in obtaining all the goals. The Civilians played all the opportunities that came his way and with well centered passes outwitted the opposing backs. Divett also lent him admirable support. Gregory, at goal, was often called upon to save, and he did so in a fine manner, rushing out of goal and clearing whenever the occasion demanded.

The Civilians drew first blood through Owen Hughes, who netted from a melee in front of the goal ten minutes after the start of the game.

They were not, however, destined to maintain this lead long for Capt. Morgan put the finishing touch to the Army's movement. With one goal all, both sides tried their utmost to score, and the ball was repeatedly taken up and down the field, but the defence held out. MacFarlane had an opportunity to score a few minutes before the whistle sounded, but lost the opportunity by dallying too long over the hit.

Second Half.

The second half was even more exciting than the first. The Army assumed the aggressive and stayed with it for about ten minutes, though all their effort to score proved fruitless. MacFarlane, in fact, did not get the ball once, and the referee allowed a goal, but very sportingly MacFarlane said that he had kicked the ball in.

The goal was disallowed and a free hit awarded the Civilians.

A sudden break-away by the Civilians resulted in Owen Hughes getting possession of the ball, and running fast into the Army territory he centered when tackled by one of the Army backs. D. B. Evans, getting possession, banged the ball into the net.

The Army then made a desperate bid, and Williams tried the goal with a hard shot which was kicked back. The goalie fell in trying to do so, and Williams sent in another from close range which was also saved though the ball was deflected away, and Capt. Morgan rushed in and snatched it into the net.

With two goals all, the game became even more exciting. Divett, dribbled the ball up from the middle of the field, and when tackled by back and the Army goalie, the ball rolled out to Owen Hughes, who with an open goal in front made no mistake. A few minutes before the final whistle, Owen Hughes again dribbled up and centered to Tetley who shot giving the goalie absolutely no chance whatever. When the whistle sounded the Civilians were left winners by four goals to two.

The teams were as follows:

Civilians: C. L. Gregory; W. Woodward; J. Rodger; W. A. Reed; A. A. Dand (Capt.); E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes; G. E. R. Divett; C. C. Francis; D. B. Evans; and J. L. Tetley.

Army: Ford; Pole; Capt. Hughes; Jack; J. A. Tyler; Davis; Lt. MacFarlane; Johnson; Smith; Capt. Morgan and Williams.

(12) beat S. J. H. Fox (9) (2 and 1).

Commander (G. F. Hine) (18) beat R. J. Henderson (13) (1 up).

The second round matches are to be concluded on or before January 19.

FORGED TRADEMARKS.

LOCAL PRINTERS
SUMMONED.

Prosecuting in a summons taken out against the Kwong An Printers of Snaukiwan for having goods on which were applied a forged trade mark resembling that of the Chou Kwong Lau firm of 104, Winglok Street, Mr. M. K. Lo, before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court yesterday, informed his Worship that the defence, conducted by Mr. F. H. Loseby, had undertaken to have all labels, blocks etc. to be destroyed.

Mr. Lo said that the complainant firm was a well-known and established manufacturing firm of tobacco and in connection with their business they had certain trade marks. Recently it had come to their knowledge that attempts had been made to imitate the marks. Extra precautions were taken by labels being put inside the boxes of tobacco calling attention of the purchaser to the attempts which were being made and inviting the public to see that the firm's seal was attached to the outside of the box.

The particular kind of seal which the complainants were using was only printed by two firms, one of whom the complainants employed and the other not being concerned in the present case.

Sometime ago information was received that although the extra precaution was introduced labels identical with those used by the complainants were being printed. The printers informed the complainants that they had received instructions from the Kwong Ah firm (the defendants) to print the labels, which were not only similar but identical.

A warrant was issued but the printers surrendered all labels etc. to the complainants.

His Worship made the necessary order on the defence giving an undertaking that all labels and blocks would be destroyed.

CHINA STATION.

DESTROYERS' ARRIVAL AT
HONGKONG.

The four new destroyers, Wishart, Verity, Wild Swan and Whitehall, which arrived in Hongkong on Tuesday to replace the destroyers Thracian, Sopor, Storme and Stormcloud of the 8th Flotilla, China Station, are all built on more modern lines than their predecessors.

The Wild Swan and Wishart have a tonnage of 1,325 and L.H.P. of 27,000, while the Verity has a tonnage of 1,350 with an L.H.P. of 29,000. The Verity has a tonnage of 1,300 and an L.H.P. of 27,000. All are armed with four 4.7 inch guns each.

The H. M. S. Koppel, the leader of the new 8th Destroyer Flotilla, is due to arrive in Port to-morrow from Singapore. She has a tonnage of 1,750 and is armed with five 4.7 inch and one 3-inch guns.

Three other destroyers have just left England on their way to Hongkong. They are the Wren, Whitehead and the Veteran.

The Koppel, Wild Swan, Verity and Wishart have been in the China Squadron in 1927. Since leaving they have served in the Mediterranean Fleet.

BRITISH TARIFFS.

GERMAN PLAN FOR
FACTORY.

London, Jan. 6.

As a result of the new British duties against abnormal imports it is announced that an important German firm is negotiating for the manufacture in Britain of all-steel furniture it previously exported to this country.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

SHIPBUILDERS,

SHIP REPAIRERS,

BOILER MAKERS,

FORGE MASTERS,

OXY-ACETYLENE AND

ELECTRIC WELDERS,

MECHANICAL AND

ELECTRICAL

ENGINEERS.

—DRY DOCK—

Length 787 Feet.

Length on Blocks 750 Feet.

Depth on Centre of

SH (H.W.O.S.T.) 34 ft. 6 ins.

—THREE SLIPWAYS—

Capable of Handling Ships up to 4,000 Tons displacement.

Electric Crane at Sea Wall, Capable of Lifting 100 Tons at 70 Feet Radius.

Tel. Address:—TAKOODOCK—Hongkong.

Telephone No. 30211.

Can Flag: "G" over "M.S. PENNANT."

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

SPECIAL SAILING

"EMPRESS OF BRITAIN"

THE WORLD'S WONDER SHIP

to EUROPE

FROM HONG KONG

FEBRUARY 15th

Yokohama March 16th

to Cherbourg and Southampton on the luxurious liner "Empress of Britain" completing a world cruise. See Peiping—Japan—Honolulu—California—Panama Canal. Spend a day and night in Balboa—Havana and New York.

Arriving Cherbourg, Southampton April 14th

(Shore trips included at ports call.)

CANADIAN PACIFIC

ALL THE WAY.



FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

Sailings from Hongkong.

to MARSEILLES via Saigon.

Singapore, Colombo, Djibouti

(Aden) Suez, Port-Said.

to YOKOHAMA via Shanghai & Kobe.

PORTHOS... 19th Jan.

CHENONCEAUX... 2nd Feb.

ATHOS II... 16th Feb.

D'ARTAGNAN... 1st Mar.

ANDRE LEON... 15th Mar.

FELIX ROUSSEL... 29th Mar.

G. METZINGER... 12th Apr.

SPHINX... 26th Apr.

ATHOS II... 20th Jan.

D'ARTAGNAN... 3rd Feb.

ANDRE LEON... 17th Feb.

FELIX ROUSSEL... 2nd Mar.

G. METZINGER... 16th Mar.

SPHINX... 29th Mar.

PORTHOS... 1st Apr.

CHENONCEAUX... 26th Apr.

We can issue through tickets to Egypt, Syria, ports, East Africa, Madagascar by transshipment on our mail steamers at Port-Said or Djibouti.

COMMERCIAL LINE.

For DUNKIRK via Haiphong, Oran, Le Havre: s/s "YANG TSE" on or about 10th January.

S.W. CHINA REGIME.

HUMAN AND FUKIEN'S HELP SOUGHT.

Canton, Jan. 6. Attention has been attracted by the military commanders' recommendation for the formation of the South-western China Political Council, and in this connexion prominent Canton leaders, including General Chai-ching, Pei Chung-hsi, Li Yang-ching, Huang Han-ping, Miao Pei-nam and Mengs. Lin Yi-chung, Teng Tse-ju and Shiao Fu-chung, met on Monday evening at the Military Headquarters. After a long deliberation they resolved that it would be advisable to invite the Hunan and Fukien Provincial heads to join in this administration in addition to representatives from Szechuan, Kweichow and Yunnan.

On account of its remoteness and the fact that it is governed by more than one military faction it is doubtful if Szechuan will be properly represented in this Council.

New Finance Commissioner.

Political gossip states that Mr. Feng Chu-wan, the Provincial Finance Commissioner, who is visiting Nanking, has been recommended by Mr. Sun Fo as Assistant Finance Minister in Nanking. Consequently his post in Canton may be assigned to Mr. Hu Han-min's associate and chief secretary, Mr. Li Si-en-kun.

A Significant Report.

Nanking, Jan. 6. Much significance is attached to a report received from Hongkong that Yu Han-min, a subordinate of Chai-ching, is planning an expedition to Fukien for the suppression of "bandits."

The report declares that a conference of Canton military officials on the 3rd inst. discussed measures for this expedition, and also steps to effect an alliance between Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan, Szechuan and Kweichow.

It is further reported that the Kwangtung and Kwangsi authorities have decided to cease remitting Customs revenue to Nanking as the funds are needed for rehabilitation purposes.—*Reuter*.

REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

SIR JOHN SIMON'S VIEW.

London, Jan. 6. Speaking at a luncheon to foreign journalists, Sir John Simon referred to the forthcoming Disarmament Conference, at which sixty States may be represented, and the Reparations Conference.

The British Government would be very greatly relieved if the reparations meeting were held earlier rather than later, in view of the Parliamentary session, which would prevent the attendance of the Ministers affected. Certainly if the Premier were attending, the conference must begin about January 18.

Britain's Fiscal Policy.

He emphasised the desire of Britain to contribute to the utmost towards a solution of world problems, and finally emphasised that

JAPAN'S POLICY.

MR. SHIGEMITSU GOING TO TOKYO.

Tokyo, Jan. 6. It is learned that Mr. Shigemitsu, at his own request, is returning to Japan shortly for the purpose of consulting his Government on its general policy towards China.

Manchurian Autonomy.

The autonomy of Manchuria is one of the three most important principles which ought to emerge from the present situation, said General Minami in a statement to the press on his arrival at Moji on returning from Manchuria. The other two are the open door and equal opportunity for all.

Powers May Act.

New York, Jan. 6. Commenting on yesterday's *Amherst* article, the *New York Times* Washington correspondent predicts further joint diplomatic representations, and possibly the invocation of the Nine Power Treaty of 1922, to protect their interests and prevent war in China.

British Interest.

London, Jan. 6. Sir John Simon, in an address at a luncheon to foreign journalists, said that most difficult and anxious questions affecting Asia and Europe may arise at the next Council of the League.

As regards Manchuria, he expressed a heartfelt hope that abroad as well as at home, a warm welcome would be given to Lord Lytton, and the other British representatives to the commission of enquiry.

It is announced officially that Lord Lytton has accepted nomination as British representative on the League's Manchurian Commission.—*Reuter*.

the very stringent action taken by the Government to maintain its currency and correct the balance of trade was an emergency action. He declared that Britain's permanent fiscal policy was a matter for future consideration.—*Reuter*.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 5.)

It was too late. Have you seen the papers?" "Which papers?" Dreadful suspicion assailed her.

"All of them. They have copies of Mrs. Jupiter's will. It was filed for probate yesterday."

"What about Mrs. Jupiter's will?" "Well, don't you know?"

"No, no—one's told me—I never thought to ask."

"Say, you're the coolest proposition I ever saw. Don't money make any difference to you at all? Why she left you first choice of her jewels—the rest are to go to her son's wife if he marries, and to you if he doesn't. That makes you half a million ahead—or, thereabouts."

Mary said "Wait. Let me think." She learned her forehead against the cool metal of the telephone.

"That's wonderful. But how do you make it half a million—even if the money value were to be considered?"

"The necklace, kid, the necklace! Don't tell me you'd pass up a gold mine like that if it's offered to you?"

"There was an edge to her voice when she answered: 'I don't know anything about this, but it's true I can tell you this—choose anything else but the necklace! You can tell your papa that!'"

"All right. But don't get so at me. I tell you I've nothing to do with it."

"Do the papers say I chose the necklace?"

"No, they just say—well, got 'em and read 'em yourself. They don't say anything but what a reasonable human would take to granted."

"Oh, how dare they? Oh, I wish I was sure you had nothing to do with it! Dirk told me—oh—she was crying about this, but it's mortification. For a minute or more the sound of her dry sob echoed in the telephone."

"I'm sorry. I'd have stopped if I could. But after all, people are bound to speculate about you—you're in the public eye—you're young—you're beautiful—you've got the kind of luck that every shopgirl wishes she had—"

"Oh, don't say any more!"

"There was a pause. 'All right, Miss Harkness,' Bowen said stiffly. 'Sorry I bothered you. But at least, don't blame me for the fly skipping town—blame that on your high-minded boy friend!'"

"Dirk? Why, what—"

"He must have gone around to Shay's with a warrant last night after we left. The fly and his pals—by the way, that man with him is his chauffeur, the one that did the driving for him every time—anyway, they got out the side-door and beat it. Now Jack's sore at me—thinks I stooped on him. I'll be lucky if he doesn't throw Mike out, too, and I'll have to lay my pipelines all over again. It'll be years before Jack will trust me with a birth announcement, much less a piece of real news. Well—that's the breaks—but I could poke that lover of yours. Keep him away from me, if you want him to stay pretty."

Mary came to Dirk's defence more from a sense of propriety

A NEW ARRIVAL.

THE ST. QUENTIN CALLS AT HONGKONG.

A new arrival in port on Tuesday was the St. Quentin from Calcutta under the command of Captain J. D. Jones, who is also her owner. The crew consists of 19 British, one Dutchman and ten Asians.

The St. Quentin brought a cargo of coal for Hongkong, which she discharged here, and will proceed to Whampoa to discharge more coal.

The St. Quentin is a steel screw vessel with a nominal horse power of 27, and was built in 1915 by The Ampleforth S. B. Company for the St. Quentin Shipping Company, Ltd.

Her first name was Balpazza, her second Penryth, and her third Lady Plymouth. Her gross tonnage is 2,522 tons and her net tonnage 2,210 tons.

For port of registry is Newport. She has a length of 349 feet; a breadth of 29 feet and a depth of 23.6 feet. She is equipped with wireless.

Her Hongkong agents are Waller & Company, Ltd.

On her way from Calcutta she encountered rough seas and blistering weather, but otherwise the voyage was uneventful.

She had anything else. She was hair-raised, too, but loyalty made her brave.

"Don't talk that way about the man I'm going to marry!"

It was a feeble attempt at dignity, but it hit Bowen in the most fatal of spots—his jealousy of Dirk.

He took a deep breath and bowed: "Go ahead and marry him, then, if you like 'em thick-headed!" and slammed up the receiver violently.

When Mary recovered sufficiently to make a retort she found the connexion was broken.

Uncertain whether to laugh or be furious, Mary stood for a minute, then flung away from the telephone.

"Della, Della!" she called to what she could see of that lady's person protruding from an over-crowded closet. "Toss me out a dress—any dress. I've got to get out of here and walk off some feelings. Of all the stupid things, men are the stupidest—all men—this man, and that man, and Lind, beigh, and all the rest of them—"

"Inde—your're right," Della answered with warmth. "Here you are. And that reminds me. You've a call from Mr. Ruyther. Early this morning it came, but you were asleep."

Mary went white. "But Della, why didn't you tell me?" She was already reaching for the telephone.

"Well, it's not my business, and that new maid's slower than molasses."

Mary was clicking the book impatiently, speaking Dirk's office number, trying to still the happy tremor in her voice.

"Mr. Ruyther, please, Miss Harkness, Dirk?"

The pleasant, drawling voice of Stephen Ruyther was speaking: "Got a little news for you, Mary. Tried to get you yesterday, but you were out. Jupiter, tell you his wife left a will? Better come in and see me when you can. Little request for you in it."

"Oh, I know all about that, Mr. Ruyther. I thought you were Dirk. Dirk there? Can I talk to him?"

"Why—" he hesitated, embarrassed. "Dirk went away on a little business trip. Didn't he tell you?"

(To Be Continued)

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGRIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship,

"CHENONCEAUX"

Arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, the 6th January, 1932.

From MARSEILLES &c.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuable are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Whampoa Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Friday the 16th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 12th January, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1932.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

From LEITH, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON, STRAITS AND MANILA.

The Steamship,

"BENARTY"

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Whampoa Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

All claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th January, 1932, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 27th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th January, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1932.

ANOTHER DELAY.

KINGSFORD SMITH AGAIN HELD UP.

London, Jan. 6. A strong gale in the English Channel delayed shipping this morning, and caused a postponement of the departure of Air Commodore Kingsford Smith, who in the Southern Star with the air mail intended to leave for Australia at midday.—*British Wireless*.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Head Office and Works:

KOWLOON, HONGKONG.

DOCK OWNERS, SHIP DESIGNERS AND BUILDERS. MARINE AND LAND ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, STEEL, IRON AND BRASS FOUNDERS, FORGE MASTERS, WELDERS AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.



T.S.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN."

In No. 1 Dock. Ship Dimensions:—466'0" O.A. x 55'8" x 16'0" M.D.

36,000 tons Gross.

The dimensions of No. 1 Dock are 700'0" x 88'0" x 30'6" Over all. H.W. O.S.T.

Salvage Tug "Henry Kowick". 2,000. L.H.P. Wireless Call Signal V.P.B.T. and Flag

Call Signal T.H.Q.B. Sheerlegs capable of lifting 60 tons. Codes Used: A1, A.B.C.

Fifth Edition: Engineering, First and Second Edition. Western Union. Bentley and Watkins.

Kindly send enquiries to the Chief Manager, R. M. DYER, B.C. M.L.N.A., Kowloon Docks, Hongkong.



SPECIAL Round Trip Fares to EUROPE.

WEEKLY TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE To San Francisco, Los Angeles & New York To Seattle & Victoria via Panama

Fortnightly sailings on Tuesdays. Fortnightly sailings on Saturdays.

Pros. Jackson ... Jan. 19 ... Pros. Taft ... (Sun.) Jan. 10, 8 a.m.

Pros. McKimley ... Feb. 2 ... Pros. Jefferson (Sat.) ... Jan. 23

Pros. Grant ... Feb. 16 ... Pros. Madison (Sat.) ... Feb. 6

\$79, \$112, \$120 Special through to rates Europe via United States. Direct connections with all Atlantic lines. Choice of rail lines across United States and Canada, liberal stop-over privileges for sight-seeing.

ROUND TRIP FARE TO EUROPE.

From HONGKONG to NAPLES ... \$152.5.0d.

" " " MARSEILLES ... \$151.0.0d.

" " " LONDON ... \$169.15.0d.

Full particulars upon application.

Round-the-World

Fortnightly sailings on Sundays via Manila, Batavia, Colombo, Suez Canal, Alexandria, Naples, Genoa, Marseilles, New York and Boston.

Pros. Pierce ... Jan. 10, 8 a.m. ... Pros. Garfield ... Feb. 21, 8 a.m.

Pros. Monroe ... Jan. 21, 8 a.m. ... Pros. Folk ... Mar. 6, 8 a.m.

Pros. V. Bureau ... Feb. 7, 8 a.m. ... Pros. Adams ... Mar. 29, 8 a.m.

To Manila:

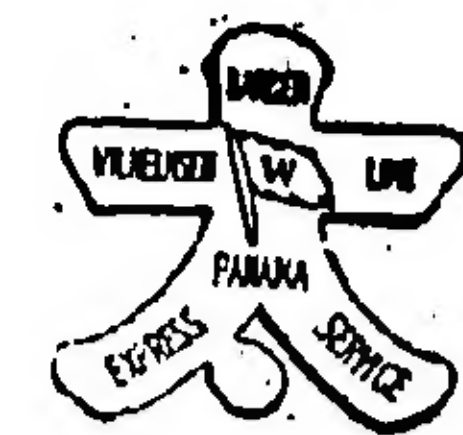
Pros. Pierce ... Jan. 10, 8 a.m. ... Pros. Monroe ... Jan. 24, 8 a.m.

Pros. Jackson ... Jan. 12, 6 p.m. ... Pros. McKinley ... Jan. 26, 6 p.m.

Pros. Jefferson ... Jan. 16, 6 p.m. ... Pros. Madison ... Jan. 30, 6 p.m.

CANTON BRANCH—No. 4 Shikoo Street.

DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, AMERICAN MAIL LINE



BARBER WILHELMSEN LINE.

THE PREMIER ALL WATER ROUTE TO NEW YORK and other U.S. Atlantic Ports via Panama.

All Vessel call at SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES en route.

Passengers desiring to travel, by this interesting route will find the accommodation provided well up to their expectations and at a cost most reasonable.

For Passenger and Freight information please apply:—

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Queen's Buildings. Agents. Telephone 28021.

P. & O. BRITISH-INDIA, APCAR AND EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN LINES.

(COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND)

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading for Straits, Java and Burma, Ceylon, India, Persian Gulf, Mauritius, T. & S. Africa, Australasia, including New Zealand & Queensland Ports, Red Sea, Egypt, Constantinople, Greece, Levantine Ports, Europe, etc.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS

(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H.M. GOVERNMENT)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong about	Destination
TRIMMALA	9,000	16th Jan.	M'ses, L'don, K'om & A'wen
CHITRAL	15,000	30th Jan.	Bombay, M'ses & L'don
KASHMIR	9,000	13th Feb.	M'ses, L'don, P'dm & A'wen
N. LDRA	16,000	27th Feb.	Bombay, M'ses & L'don
ISUDAN	6,800	5th Mar.	M'ses, L'don, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam Antwerp & Hull
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th Mar.	Marseilles & London
RAJPUTANA	17,000	26th Mar.	Marseilles & London

*Cargo only. *Calls Casablanca, *Calls D'Almeida.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo of Constantinople, Piraeus, Smyrna and other Levant Ports by Steamers of the Khedivial Mail S.S. Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

*SANTHIA | 8,000 | 8 Jan. 3.30 p.m. | S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

T. LMA | 10,000 | 22nd Jan. | S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

*Calls Port Swettenham.

B. I. Apar Line steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

S. S. & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hongkong to Shanghai and Japan and Hongkong to Australia.

Hong-Kong to Sydney—19 days.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:—

The Union S.S. Co.'s Steamers to the United Kingdom via No. Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.

The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London and

The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via Suez.

The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

S. S. LINES TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

LIPORE	5,300	13th Jan.	S'hai, Moji & Kobe
TAL. M.B.A.	8,000	15th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
KASHMIR	9,000	15th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
IKALYAN	9,100	19th Jan.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
ISUDAN	6,800	26th Jan.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
NALDERA	16,000	27th Jan.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
SIRDHANA	8,000	3rd Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
T. K. DA	7,000	5th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TANDA	7,000	5th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
TILAWA	10,000	12th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
CARTHAGE	15,000	13th Feb.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
IB. RDWAN	6,600	21st Feb.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
RAJPUTANA	17,000	26th Feb.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko

All data are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

Parcels Measuring not more than 5 c.ft. will be received at the Co.'s Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

For Passage Rates, Handbooks, Freight, etc., apply to

M. F. KINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.

P. & O. Bldg., Connaught Rd., C. Agents.

TRAVEL A.O. LINE

To AUSTRALIA. Calling at Manila (P. Is), Thursday, Calcutta, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.

BRITISH STEAMERS: CHANGTE - TAIPING (SUNDERS)

FASTEST AND MOST UP-TO-DATE STEAMERS IN THE SERVICE.

ELECTRIC LAUNDRY, BARBER SHOP, SURGEON and STEWARDESS CARRIED.

Shortest Short Leave in Australia and New Zealand, Hong Kong, Sydney—19 Days.

FIRST CLASS FARE TO SYDNEY, 8/6 RETURN.

LONDON (via Australia) from 5/10/10/20.

(Australian Newspapers on file)

AUSTRALIAN-ORIENTAL LINE, LIMITED

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS—HONG KONG—SHANGHAI

Have via Australia Tour—Changte. 16th February.

Opening of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Festivities.

Detailed Itinerary on application. Fare 2/20/10. Return

CENTRAL

SEE THEATRE HEAR

SHOWING TO-DAY
at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20 p.m.

THE PICTURE THAT ROCKED A NATION WITH LAUGHTER.

NEW—UNUSUAL—DIFFERENT
MYSTERY—DRAMA—COMEDY
ROMANCE...THRILLS!



A picture you'll be glad to tell your friends about—if they haven't already told you. Nothing like it ever screened before. The laugh hit of the season. Hailed by critics as the sort of a picture the talking screen was made for. A story that plunges you deep into the life of the world's richest woman and the love plots of the young folks surrounding her. SEE IT—and get the laugh-thrill of a lifetime.

Mother's Millions

The Strangest story and Greatest Acting the screen has ever known!

A Human story of a woman against the world—beating her enemies at their game—fighting her children for their happiness—hiding a heart of gold behind a mask of flinty hardness!

With

MAY ROBSON,

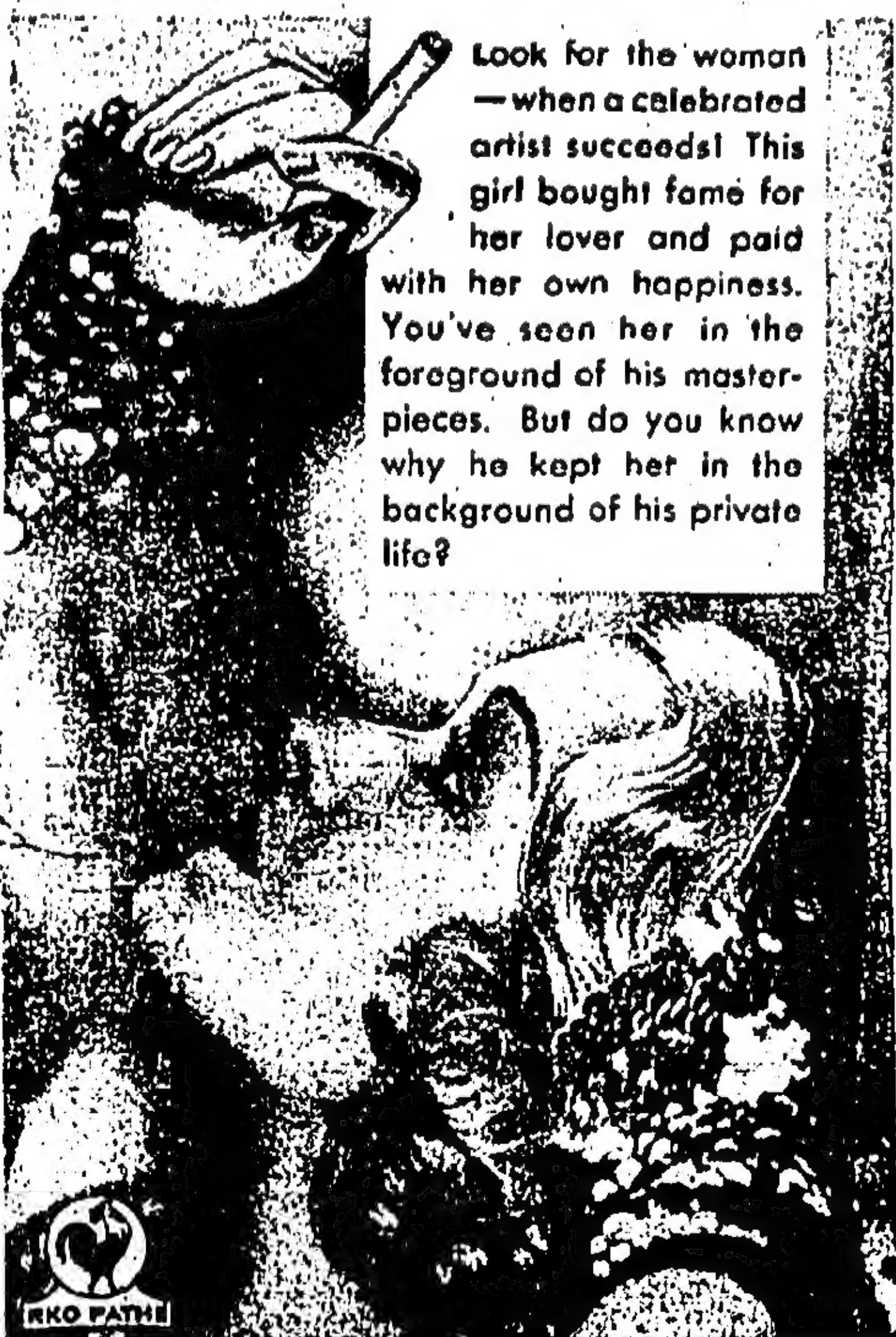
Francis Dade, James Hall, Lawrence Gray, Edmund Breese.

Directed by

James Flood from the play by Howard McKent Barnes.

NEXT CHANGE

THE SECRET WOMAN IN A GREAT MAN'S LIFE!



Look for the woman—when a celebrated artist succeeds! This girl bought fame for her lover and paid with her own happiness. You've seen her in the foreground of his masterpieces. But do you know why he kept her in the background of his private life?

Constance BENNETT THE COMMON LAW

Her greatest role, since "COMMON CLAY"

Printed and Published for the Proprietors by FREDERICK PERCY FRANKLIN, at 1 and 3, Wyndham Street, in the City of Victoria Hongkong.

DEATH OF M. ANDRE MAGINOT.

FRENCH MINISTER FOR WAR.

CHAMPION OF THE EX-SERVICE MAN.

Paris, Jan. 7. French ex-Service men have lost their best champion by the death early this morning of the War Minister, M. Andre Maginot, at the age of fifty-four.

He was taken ill with typhoid fever a little more than a fortnight ago.

In his earlier days a civil servant, he acted at one time as director of the interior in the Government of Algeria. He was first elected to the Chamber in 1910 as deputy for the Meuse Department. In the Doumergue Cabinet of 1913 he was Under-Secretary in the Ministry. One of his tasks was to pilot the 3 years' service law through the Chamber, but after the war he became an advocate of the reduction of the period to 18 months. He had fought at the front as an officer, but after being rendered unfit for service by serious wounds he was made president of the Army Commission and Minister for the Colonies in the Ribot Cabinet.

In the Millerand Govt. of 1924, he was Minister of Pensions—a post he retained in the Legues, Briand and Poincare Cabinets, as he had won the confidence of ex-service men.

Under Poincare, Maginot also took the portfolio of War Department, thus relieving the Minister of his duties and enabling him to act in a double capacity.

He directed the operations of the French troops during the occupation of the Ruhr.

On the Cabinet reconstruction in March 1924, he retained his position, but in June the Government fell and was succeeded by a Herriot Cabinet. He did not hold office in the original Ministry of National Union formed by Poincare in July, 1926, as his strongly Nationalistic attitude would have been repugnant to the Ministers representing the parties of the Left. But when the four Radical-Socialists resigned from the Govt. in Nov. 1928, and it was reconstructed, Maginot was appointed Colonial Minister.

In the spring of 1929 he made a long tour across the Sahara to French West Africa to investigate its development. As a result he decided to raise a loan of £12,000,000 for the harnessing of the Niger and other schemes. He retained his post in the Briand Government formed on Poincare's resignation in July, 1929.

At the end of Jan. 1927, on the resignation of Millerand, Maginot, who had founded the "Groupe d'Action Democratique et Sociale" became president of the National

BRITISH AIRCRAFT LEADERSHIP.

BRAZIL'S ORDER FOR MOTH PLANES.

London, Jan. 6.

Fifteen Moth training aeroplanes have recently been ordered by Brazil. They will be the first British machines placed by contract in the Brazilian Army Air Service.

The order was awarded after a comparison of the Moth with seven competitive types of machine put forward by the constructors of four nations.

Wireless gear, night and blind flying instruments, bombs, electric camera, and rocket signalling apparatus are included in the equipment of these touring machines, of which the maximum speed is well over 100 miles an hour.

Similar craft have been supplied recently for flying training to the Governments of Portugal, Sweden, China, Iraq and Egypt.—British Wireless.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

With the exception of a strong demand for Wharves, Hotels and Trams the rest of the market was somewhat quiet this morning.

Sales.

Trams, \$22.40.
Unions, \$410.
Steamboats, \$24.
Hotels (New), \$14.00/\$15.
Powells, \$3 1/2.

Buyers.

Wharves, \$15 1/2.
Doughlases, \$24 1/2.
Chinese Estates, \$9 1/2.
Singapore Tractions, 3/4.
H.K. Ropes, \$18.
Lane, Crawfords (old), \$6.40.
Constructions (new), \$1.80.
Hotels (Old), \$15.35.
Hotels (New), \$14.65.
Providents (old), \$5.35.
Providents (new), \$2.40.
Trams, \$22.40.
Cements (old), \$12 1/2.
Dairy Farms, \$29.
Powells, \$3 1/2.
H.K. Govt. Loan, 2 1/4% premium.

Sellers.

Indo-Chinas (Prof.), \$45.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$32.
Raubs, \$35.
Entertainments (old), \$16 1/2.

Republican League. He protested against the evacuation of the Rhineland and in June, 1927, demanded the rupture of relations between France and the Soviet.

Devoted to the cause of disabled soldiers, he was in 1925, appointed chairman of the Office National des Mutiles.—Reuter and I.B.S.

GROSS CRUELTY TO GIRL.

BADLY BURNED WITH JOSS STICKS.

PRISON SENTENCE.

Just punishment was meted out to a middle-aged woman of a village in the Sheung Shui District by Mr. T. Megarry, District Officer of the New Territories, yesterday, when sentence of four months' hard labour without the option of a fine was imposed for an act of gross cruelty to a girl about nine years of age.

It was revealed to the Court that some three weeks ago, Mr. L.H.C. Calthrop, (Assistant Superintendent of Police) was on his way from Takuling to Sheung Shui when he met the defendant trying to catch the girl in order to administer chastisement for some minor offence. The Superintendent stopped and ordered an Indian sergeant on patrol to take both to the Sheung Shui Police Station for investigations. The party of three accordingly walked to the Station and, after interrogation, the police were satisfied and sent the girl and the woman home again.

On reaching home, a distance of about three miles from the Police Station, the woman scolded the girl for having made her walk to and from the Police Station. The defendant, it was alleged, stripped the girl and, using a joss stick, severely burned her in different parts of her body. She was in a terrible condition when she was later found by the police and sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital, where she was detained for about three weeks before being able to attend Court.

It is understood that the girl will be handed over to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

MURDER ON THE TAIPO ROAD.

ROBBERY SUGGESTED AS MOTIVE.

Very meagre details are at present available regarding the murder of a stone-breaker in the New Territories on the Taiipo Road, near the Three Miles Stone. He was apparently strangled with a piece of rope.

The victim was found dead this morning at the Kam Tsk Sheung watchmen's matched on the Taiipo Road, near the Three Miles Stone. He was apparently strangled with a piece of rope.

Deceased was a native of Sam Door Chuk Village and was employed as a stone-breaker. The motive is believed to have been robbery but whether anything was taken is unknown.

AT THE QUEEN'S SHOWING TO-DAY

At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

THE BRITISH MASTERPIECE!



THRILLING AND DRAMATIC FRENCH DRAMA—
SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY,
THE LYONS MAIL
NEXT CHANGE



THE QUEEN'S for SAFETY!

See your pictures without worry. The atmosphere at the Queen's is sterilized with Formalin Flak. Manufactured by the Famous London Firm, Nicolette, Ltd. and used in Leading London Theatres.

AT THE STAR TO-DAY TO SATURDAY

The Happiest, Snappiest Treat!
"GOOD NEWS"

with
BESSIE LOVE
CLIFF EDWARDS

MAJESTIC

Youth's Fling with Truth's Sting
TO-DAY ONLY.
At 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

He learned about life from a he-man who had lived, and about romance from a girl who had loved,

A sparkling comedy drama from the stage hit by Elmer Harris.

HONGKONG 10 A.M. 9 P.M.
AQUARIUM
OPEN DAILY | 2 DOORS FROM WHITEAWAYS | OPEN DAILY

SHOWING TO-DAY

KING'S

At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

Prettier! "Trier" Than Ever!
CLARA BOW
in
"Her Wedding Night"
A Paramount Picture
with
Ralph Forbes, Charlie Ruggles, Skeets Gallagher.

NEXT ATTRACTION

"SILENCE"

with
CLIVE BROOK
Marjorie Rambeau
Peggy Shannon
Charles Starrett

BOOKING AT THE THEATRE. TEL. 25818